

as such and charged against such child so advanced upon the division and distribution of my estate in the event of the marriage or intestacy of my wife as before provided for—

I hereby recommend, constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Ann Sole executrix of this my last Will and Testament—
In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this the 19th day of September 1863

Josh L. Bright

Signed, published, delivered by
the said Joshua L. Bright as
his last Will and Testament in
our presence. H. & H. Bright
Robert Strange

State of North Carolina
New Hanover County

The within paper writing purporting to be the last will & Testament of J. L. Bright is exhibited for probate in Open Court by Mary Ann Bright the executrix therein named and the due execution thereof by J. L. Bright is proved by the Oath of Robert Strange one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and Testament of the said J. L. Bright. And the same is ordered to be recorded and filed and thereupon the said Mary Ann Bright executrix aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking the Oath required by law.

Teste

Samuel W. Moring Clerk

In the name of God Amen
I Ann Louisa of the town of Wilmington in the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding knowing the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous whilst I have sufficient strength and capacity so to do to arrange and settle my temporal affairs do make publish and declare the following as and for my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made
Item I give and bequeath unto my niece Mary Quince my negro man Jim Crumpson of color and such portion of my household furniture as is hereinafter named.
Item I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Quince daughter of Mary Quince my negro woman Violet Mother of John Crump.
Item I give and bequeath to Ann McQuince daughter of Mary Quince my negro woman Bess daughter of said Violet.
Item I give and bequeath unto William E. Poudiner whom I have adopted into my family the following negroes my negro man James Mary Ann her son George, Louisa the daughter of Charles her two children and such other children as the said Louisa may hereafter have. And I do hereby ratify and confirm to him

the gift heretofore made of the pew in St James Church, Melbourn
 town and I do hereby cancel all the debts due and owing to me
 by the said William C Boudinot at the time of my death, and
 I desire that my executor shall not collect the same, I also give
 him all the China ware and silver which by the said William
 C Boudinot gave me, which is now stored in the family as
 the China ware and silver given to me by him, also all the bed
 room furniture that was contained in and with which the room
 was furnished, which he usually occupies in the town of Melbourn.

Item 5th I give devise and bequeath to Thomas C Miller the following
 negroes. Statira generally called Star-negro man John known as
 John Maguire, Dick grand child of said Star, Chloe, Alice and
 her two children, and such children as she may hereafter have
 and such portion of my household furniture as is hereinafter set
 forth in trust for the sole and ^{separate} use of my niece Sally
 Freeman wife of Dr. William C Freeman free and discharged
 from and in no way to become liable for the debts of her
 said husband now contracted or hereinafter to be contracted
 I desire that the negro woman Star shall not be taken from
 the County of Chatham, and the other negroes given in trust for
 the use of my niece Sally Freeman are not to be removed from
 the State of North Carolina, and if moved contrary to the
 provision of this clause of my will then the bequest of the
 said Slaves to the use of Sally Freeman is to become void
 and of no effect and the said Slaves are to become the property
 of my residuary legatee and if the said Sally Freeman should
 die leaving no child or children living at the time of her
 death, then and in that event it is my will that the property
 given in this clause shall go to the sole and separate use
 of my niece Annie McMiller wife of Thomas C Miller

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my nephew Dr. William H Davis
 my negro man Benjamin and I desire that my executor pay
 the principal and interest of a certain note made by said William
 H Davis to John A Everett, the principal of which was One
 thousand dollars and to which note my husband Friedrich
 & Alice & Thomas C Miller are sureties in order to release
 the mortgage on the plantation in the County of Chatham known
 as Haverwood the same having been mortgaged to secure this debt.

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my niece Jane Davis of
 my negro man William and such portion of my household
 furniture, as is hereinafter set forth.

Item 8th I give and bequeath to my nephew Friedrich S
 Davis, my negro man Solomon.

Item 9th I give and bequeath to my grand niece Mary
 Miller, daughter of my niece Anna W Miller, my negro
 woman Violet and the daughter of Violet her son Jeffery
 and such child or children as the said Violet and my here
 after have, also my negro man Charles brother of Violet and

Item 10th I give and bequeath to my grand niece Ann Miller daughter of my niece Annie H Miller my negro woman Maria and baby daughter of Aggy.

Item 11th I give and bequeath to my grand niece Elizabeth Hatten Miller daughter of my niece Annie H Miller my servant Luma Child of Aggy. and also the sum of Five thousand dollars for the education of my said grand niece.

Item 12th I give and bequeath to my grand nephew John O Miller son of my niece Annie H Miller my negro boy Virgil son of Aggy also the sum of One thousand dollars.

Item 13th I give and bequeath to my grand nephew Thomas C Miller son of my niece Annie H Miller my negro boy Prince son of Aggy. And also the sum of Five thousand dollars for the education of my said grand nephew.

Item 14th I give and bequeath to my grand niece Rebecca Davis Miller daughter of my niece Annie H Miller my negro man Sam Patrick.

Item 15th I give and bequeath to my niece Rebecca Davis negro man Simon son of her negro girl Clayton Child of Aggy and such portion of my household furniture as is hereinafter her share.

Item 16th I give and bequeath to my niece Catherine Davis my negro man Scipio son of Charles & my servant girl Little Dor and also such portion of my household furniture as is herein after her share.

Item 17th I give to my much loved niece Annie H Miller whom I raised as my daughter my mahogany Bed Case, fourteen mahogany chairs large dining tables and side, pair of tables mahogany wardrobe, my Bedstead in my room, now occupied by me, my large drawing room Carpet, the balance of my furniture, not herein before disposed of is to be equally divided between my nieces Rebecca Davis, Catherine Davis, Sally Freeman, Jane Davis, Mary Lunsen, and the said Annie H Miller. ^{I also give to my said niece Annie H Miller} all my silver not herein before given to William & Perkins. the silver ~~now~~ not to be considered a part of the household furniture and I also give her the said Annie H Miller all the residue and remaining portion of my property and estate of every kind nature and description whatsoever as now not and personal not herein before disposed of to her sole and separate use. the property herein given to my said niece Annie H Miller I hereby devise and bequeath to George Davis Caretaker of my said niece and his heirs in trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my said niece Annie H Miller. And in no way to be subject to the debts and liabilities of her husband Thomas C Miller now Contracted or hereafter to be Contracted. I desire that my said niece ^{Annie H Miller} pay to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Pittsboro North Carolina annually for ten years the sum of One hundred dollars. And I do hereby constitute and appoint Thomas C Miller and George Davis of the town of Wilmington executors of this my last will and testament. ^{hope} I herewith subscribe my

name, and affixed my seal this the day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Sixty three.

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the last will and testament of Ann Lee Hill in our presence who witnessed the same in her presence and at her request and in the presence of each other.

Ann Lee Hill (Seal)

Robert Strange

E A Anderson

A Codicil to my last will and testament

I give and bequeath to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the Town of Pittsboro North Carolina the sum of two thousand dollars for the purpose of building a house for the residence of who ever may be the minister of said Church. Signed Sealed published and declared to be a Codicil to the last will and testament of Ann Lee Hill in our presence who witnessed the same in her presence and at her request and in the presence of each other.

Signed & Sealed 19th Decr 1863

Ann Lee Hill (Seal)

Robert Strange
E A Anderson

State of North Carolina

Hamilton County Clerk March Term 1864.

This paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Ann Lee Hill is exhibited in open Court with the Codicil thereto attached, and offered for probate in open Court by Thomas C. Miller one of the executors therein named, and the due & due execution of the said will with the Codicil thereto is proved by the oath of Robert Strange and Edwin A. Anderson the said describing witnesses. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part and part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Ann Lee Hill, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed with the Codicil thereto attached, and Thompson Thomas one of the executors therein named appears in open Court. And was duly qualified as such by taking the oath prescribed by law.

Thos R Brunting C/R