

State of North Carolina

near Hanover County Court. March Term. 1859.

This paper writing is presented for probate, and is duly sworn  
by the oath of Wm. Price, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and  
as such, considered by the Court, to be and contain the last  
Will and Testament of George C. Fennell alias Walker, and  
sufficient to convey the bequests therein made. At the same  
time, James S. Miller, one of the executors therein named,  
appeared in open Court, and was duly qualified, according  
to Law. Let the same, with this certificate be registered.

Sgt. Dan'l P. Simting. Clerk

Strawberry, New Hanover Co. N.C.

November 1<sup>st</sup> 1858.

If I should die without a will, let this be my last wishes.  
That all of my real and personal estate, and every thing I own,  
(after paying all my debts, and one thousand dollars. (\$1000.) to  
be given to the two Episcopal Churches in Wilmington). Shall go to  
my dear wife. It is also my wish that none of the negroes shall be  
separated, man and wife. I mean, and no small child from its  
mother. Wish my Father to evahane and get them all right.

E. C. Lane.

A paper writing, bearing date the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1858, purporting to  
be the last Will and Testament of Ezekiel Edward Lane, deceased, was  
exhibited to the Court, and presented for probate as such. Whereupon  
John Lane, William Walter Lane, Edward D. Hale and Adam Empie, Just  
being duly sworn, the said William Walter Lane proved, that said paper  
was by him found, in a secret drawer in the desk of said deceased, in  
which desk were the valuable papers, and effects of said deceased, and  
the said John Lane, W. W. Lane, E. D. Hale & A. Empie Jr. severally testified  
that they had seen the deceased write frequently, at different times, that  
they were acquainted with his hand writing, and they verily believed that  
said paper writing, and every part thereof, and the signature of deceased  
therein, is in the proper hand writing of said deceased. It is there  
fore considered by the Court, that said paper writing, and every part  
thereof, is the last Will and Testament of said Ezekiel Edward Lane  
deceased, and it is ordered that the same be recorded and filed as  
such.

On motion it is ordered, that letters of administration  
with the Will annexed to the Estate of Ezekiel Edward Lane, deceased,  
be granted to William Walter Lane, upon his entering into bond  
in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars with Jerry Lane as security.

Sgt. Dan'l P. Simting. Clerk.