

In the name of God. Amen.

I, Mary L. Come, of Wilmington, North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but feeble in bodily health, and mindful of the uncertainty of human life, do make, ordain, publish and declare, this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all other Wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First. I commit my soul to God, in the hope of a blessed resurrection, through the merits of my Saviour; and I leave my body to be interred by my Executor, in a decent and becoming manner.

Second. I give and bequeath to my grand niece Mary Come Walker, eldest child of Thomas L. Walker, who was named after me, my negro woman Charity, and ten shares of my stock in the Bank of Cape Fear, also all my bed room furniture, consisting of Bedstead, Feather Bed, Mattress, Bolster Pillows, &c. Mahogany Wardrobe, Mahogany Dressing Table, and Glass Work Table, and every thing else pertaining to the furniture of my room, which belongs to me. But all the above mentioned property is not to go immediately to my grand niece, but it is my will and desire that her mother Mrs. Mary Walker, shall have the use and benefit of all of it, to her own separate use, until her daughter Mary Come Walker shall marry or come of age. And it is my desire and request that my said servant Charity until that time, shall be kept in the family of my said niece, Mrs. Mary Walker, and be kindly treated and cared for.

Third. I give and bequeath to the vestry of St James's Church, in the Town of Wilmington, for the use of the said Church, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, to be raised and paid in such way, as may be most convenient for my estate, without selling any of my property.

Fourth. I give and bequeath to my good friend and Pastor, Rev. Robert S. Davis, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, to be distributed in Charities, at his discretion, among the poor of his parish. The said sum to be raised in like manner, as mentioned in the last clause.

Fifth. I give, devise and bequeath all my other negroes, to wit, Caspid, Frank, John Gause, George, James, Hannah and her two children, Joseph and Frank, Susan and her child Lucy, Amy, Chloe, and Maria; also all the remainder of my stock in the Bank of Cape Fear, my houses and lots, and all the rest and residue of my estate, property and rights of property, of every kind and

description, and wheresoever situate, to my Executor herein
after named, his heirs, executors and Administrators, in
trust to be equally divided between my niece, Mary, wife
of Thomas L. Walker, and Eliza, Wife of Robert H. Cowan
and for their sole and separate use and benefit, free from
all liability, for any debts or contracts of their husbands,
during their natural lives; and at their deaths I give
and bequeath the share of my niece Mary Walker, to
be equally divided between her five children, Mary
Orme Walker, Eliza Marchmont Walker, Platt Dickinson
Walker, Alice London Walker and Maria Goodwin
Walker; and the share of my niece Eliza Cowan,
to be equally divided between her four children, Robert
H. Cowan, Jane Dickinson Cowan, Cornelia Frothingham
Cowan and Samuel Person Cowan.

It is further my will and desire that none of my
negroes shall be sold out of my family, unless for some
great misconduct; except a sole, shall be necessary for
an equal division, and in that case I desire that
John Cause be selected to be sold.

Sixth - I earnestly request, and enjoin it upon my friend
Thomas L. Walker and his wife, and his daughter Mary
Orme, and upon any and all persons having the control
of, and interested in, my servant Charity, that if
ever she shall become able to purchase her freedom at
a reasonable price, she shall be permitted to do so in
such way as she may choose, consistently with the laws
of the state.

Lastly - I nominate and appoint my good friend P. K.
Dickinson, to be sole executor of this my will.

In witness whereof I herewith set my hand and seal
this Tenth day of May, A. D. 1858.

Mary L. Orme. *(seal)*

Witness, published and declared by the
testator, as her last will, in the presence of us,
who in her presence, and in the presence of each other,
and at her request, have subscribed the same as
witnesses (the words "or come of age" on 1st page interlined
before sealing)

Geo. Davis

P. K. Dickinson

State of North Carolina

New Hanover County Court, Term Term, 1858.

This paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mary L. Orme, is exhibited in open Court, by Geo. Davis and offered for probate, and is duly proved by the oaths of George Davis and J. K. Dickinson, both of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and as such considered by the Court to be and contain the last Will and Testament of said Mary L. Orme, and as such sufficient to convey the property therein bequeathed; at the same time, J. K. Dickinson the executor therein named appeared in open Court, and was duly qualified according to law.

Test.

Sam. R. Bunting, clk.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Jesse Brown of the County of New Hanover, in the State of North Carolina being sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and being desirous in view of the certainty of death, and uncertainty of the time thereof, to arrange and settle my worldly business and affairs, whilst I have strength and capacity so to do, do make, publish and declare the following, as and for my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any ~~heretofore~~ made, that is to say, after the payments and discharges of all my just debts, I give, devise and bequeath the residue of all my property, estate and effects in the manner following I give and bequeath to my three brothers, James Brown, two hundred dollars, Medham Brown, one hundred and fifty dollars, William Brown, two hundred dollars I give and bequeath my two youngest brothers Bryant Brown and Council Brown, the following named negro slave Ned, and my interest in sister Sarah Brown's Estate. I give, devise and bequeath all singular the rest and residue of my property and estate, both real and personal, of every nature and kind including reminding interest I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint, my said brother James Brown, executor of this my last Will and Testament, in testimony whereof, I Jesse Brown, have hereunto set my hand and seal this