

Moses Mearns M.D.

1841

In the name of God Amen I Moses Mearns of
 Northampton County and State of North Carolina
 hereby Make in Body But in Paper before
 me and Memory bearing that it appeared
 for all Men can to see to make and witness
 that to be my last Will and Testament, and that
 I recommend my soul into the hands of almighty
 God, then my Body to the Rest to be buried
 in a Christian like manner at the discretion
 of my Executors and for my worldly goods which
 the Lord hath pleased to bless me with I give
 and bequeath of them in the following manner
 and form (viz) I give unto my beloved Wife
 Mary Mearns one third a parcel of Land lying
 on the Little Swamp in Northampton County near
 Roanoke River which I give to her and her heirs
 forever likewise one fourth Part of my estate which
 I have usually disposed of to her and her heirs for
 ever likewise one sixth Part of the I give to her and
 her heirs forever likewise one sixth Part I give
 to her and her heirs forever likewise one sixth
 Part of my Land and hunting tract, I give and
 bequeath to her and her heirs forever likewise forty five
 pounds Virginia Money I give to her and her heirs for
 ever I give unto George White the sum of one Silver Dollar
 to him and his heirs forever.
 Then I give unto the Wife of my Daughter Tabitha Combs
 one Penny living, I give to Henry Combs & John
 Combs, one Dollar to be equally divided between them
 and their heirs forever.

I give unto my son George Mearns all my Copy
 books which I wish to have and his heirs forever
 Then I give unto my son James Mearns forty Shillings
 Virginia Money to him and his heirs forever
 The Residue of my Estate which I have not above
 mentioned I leave to be equally divided between
 all of my living Children except those above
 mentioned, and their heirs forever and I do hereby
 appoint my son Nathaniel Mearns as my whole
 and sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament
 and his body Richard Rucke and Benjamin
 with and every other Well wishing and legal Meeting
 and confirming this to be my last Will and
 Testament as Witness whereof I have hereunto set
 my hand and affixed my Seal this 17 day of
 September, in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight hundred and four.

James Mearns
 the
 Son of
 Moses Mearns

Northampton County, Dist. Court 1841—

That the above Will of Mrs. Mearns
 was proved in open Court by the Oath
 of James Mearns & Mary Mearns
 and at the second time Nathaniel Mearns
 qualified as Exr. to the above Will, and did so
 be certified and recorded.

Witness

Wm. Green