

Children, namely Leucetia Wade, Salathia Chapman, Sally  
Ann Britton, John W. Britton, Elizabeth J. Britton, Nathan J. Britton,  
Joseph O. H. Britton, Henry J. Britton, Emily J. Britton.

Item 5th - My Will and desire is also that of my wife finds herself  
in possession of any property that I have left to her that is not prop-  
erable to her and her Children, she is at liberty to dispose of it  
in any way that may be most beneficial to her and her above  
mention'd Children. Also it is my Will and desire that  
my wife have the privilege of using any of the above left prop-  
erty in any that may seem most advantage to her and her  
Children above named so as not to prevent an equal division  
amongst the above mentioned heirs.

Item 6th - I do hereby constitute make and ordain my friend  
Kingsbury Ponole Esq; to this my last Will and Testament -  
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal  
this in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
hundred and forty one -

Signed sealed & declared by the  
said Nathan Britton as his last  
Will & Testament in presence of  
us 16 -

Pitney  
Amos Nick  
Ezrae Bridgeman

Northampton County Number Court 1844 - The foregoing  
paper writing was exhibited in open Court as the last Will  
and Testaments of Nathan Britton deceased and proved in due form  
of Law by the oaths of Amos Nick and Ezrae Bridgeman the  
subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be certified & recorded.  
Witness K. Ponole the within named Executor came into open  
Court and qualified as the Law directs

Test. Thos. Houghs Offl

# ESTATE OF NATHAN BRITTON (Will)

I now all men by these presents that I Esther Gurns of North-  
ampton of Northampton and state of North Carolina do make  
and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and  
form as follows -

Item 1st. I lend unto my sister Leah Gurns during her  
life all of my Lands and after her death I give and bequeath  
it to William Gurns son of William M. Gurns & Angelina  
F. Gurns daughter of Murphy Gurns to be equally divided  
between them, and if either or both of them should die without  
heir or issue then in such case its my will that the Land  
bequeathed to such die shall revert back to my family -

Item 2d. My will and desire that my Negro Williams M.  
Gurns have the use of all my Stock of all descriptions and all  
of my Household and Kitchen furniture (except one Bed  
and Furniture) to be held in trust for him by my Executor  
whom I shall hereafter name -

Item 3d. I lend to my sister Leah Gurns one Bed and furni-  
ture her choice during her life and after her death I give  
and bequeath unto William Gurns son of William M. Gurns  
the said Bed & furniture for ever -

Item 4d. Lastly I nominate and appoint Shadrack Gravely  
Executor to this my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I  
have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 19th day  
of September 1844 -  
All interlinings made  
before signing -

Nathan  
Amos Nick  
Martha Gurns

Northampton County Number Court 1844 The foregoing paper writing was  
exhibited in open Court as the last Will and Testaments of Esther Gurns deceased  
and proved by the oaths of Amos Nick and Martha Gurns the  
subscribing witnesses and ordered to be certified and recorded.  
Witness Shadrack Gravely the within named Executor came into open  
Court and qualified as the Law directs

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