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The Last Will & Testament of Arthur Shipp Deceased
State of North Carolina
Pitt County

I Arthur Shipp of the County and State aforesaid being in bad health but in sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. That is to say

Item 1st I leave unto my beloved wife Bethena Shipp during her life all of my land together with all of my stock of every kind house hold and kitchen furniture to her use provided she shall pay all of my just debts and after her decease I give and bequeath unto my two Daughters all of the above named land and property to them and their heirs forever the two Daughters that I allude to is Elizabeth & Sissy, except the land whereon Hardy Shipp now lives.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my grand Children the lands whereon Hardy Shipp now lives to them and to their use forever the children that I allude to is Leviser - Sonetty and James Shipp. Lizer Jane - Sally John Leas and Henry Shipp. I have hereunto set my hand and Seal Nov^r 7th 1857

Attest

James L. W. Nobles

James Shipp

Arthur Shipp
his mark

North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Pitt County } Held Term 1858

There was the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Arthur Shipp dec^d produced in open Court and proved in due form of law by the oaths of James L. W. Nobles and James Shipp the two Subscribing witnesses to the same. It was then ordered to be recorded and filed

H. Sheppard Clerk