And lastly. I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Allen Bynum my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof. hereby revoking all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Robert Ingwell do hereunto set my hand and seal this 15 day of May AD 1862

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Robert Ingwell to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

Robert his X mark Ingwell (Seal)

Zot L. P. Beardsley
Allen Bynum

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Robert Ingwell decd was proved in open Court by the oath of L. P. Beardsley and Allen Bynum the two subscribing witnesses to the same and it was thereupon ordered to be recorded and filed. when Allen Bynum the person named as executor in said will gave bond in the sum of $4000 with John Hines & Elias J Blount as his sureties. bond given and executor duly qualified in open Court

G A Dancy Clerk

In the name of God Amen. I John May of the County of Pitt & State of North Carolina being of sound & disposing mind and memory do ordain & establish the following as my last will & Testament.

Item. I give to my beloved brother Alfred May my silver watch

Item. I give to my beloved sister Sarah Jane May my negro boy Abram.

Item. I give to my two sisters Sarah Jane May & Emily E May all and singular the residue of my property & estate of every kind & description whatever. after paying my just debts & burial Expenses.

I hereby publish & declare the above to be my last will & Testament

John May Jr

Witness
Sherrod Belcher
Jas Joyner

9th January 1862

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1863
Pitt County

This paper writing is produced in open Court and propounded for probate and Sherrod Belcher and James Joyner the subscribing witnesses thereto being duly sworn testify that they saw heard, John May declare it to be and that he published it as his last will and testament in their presence and acknowledged this signature thereto. that he was at the time of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they signed the same as witnesses in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other, the said paper writing is thereupon admitted to probate

and the same and every part thereof is adjudged by the Court to be and contain the last will and Testament of John May decd. good and sufficient to pass both real and personal estate and it is ordered to be recorded with this certificate

G A Dancy Clerk

I Joseph J Bland of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following. that is to say.

First. That all my just debts may be paid to whom soever due out of the money and notes which I now have on hand.

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my Nephews Octavous Edwards and Edward S Edwards one hundred dollars each to be paid in money or notes.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to the children of my brother W A Bland Three 3 hundred dollars to be equally devided between them to be paid in money or notes.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to the children of my sister Martha wife of W S Braswell. Seventy five acres of land to be taken from the western end of the tract adjoining the lands of the minor heirs of Jonathan Kittrell. Also to sister Martha one young sorrel mare colt known as the Cop mare

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my sister Catharine wife of Peter E Braswell and children three hundred dollars to be paid in money or notes.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my sister Susan and Eley all the remainder of my home plantation not included in the 75 acres given to Sister Martha. Also I give to my sister Eley single woman my negro boy Killis and to my sister Susan negro woman Agg.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my brother Christopher C Bland seventy five acres of land being a part of the tract given me by my father and adjoining the place owned by brother and also the lands of Joab Herrington and all the residue of my property not otherwise disposed of including my horses and books with the hope that he will aply himself to the study of the latter.

In witness whereof I the said Joseph J Bland have hearunto set my hand and seal this the 6th day of October AD 1863

Joseph J Bland (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared to by the said Joseph J Bland to be his last will and testament in the presences of us who at his request and in his presence subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of J J Bland was produced in open court and there being no subscribing witnesses to the same Barnes Bland testified that after the death of the said J J Bland he found said paper writing in the pocket book of the said decd and that was locked up in his trunk and Thos Cox and Moses Ringold and Caleb Cannon testified that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of the decd and that in their opinion the said paper writing and every pt

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part thereof together with the signature was the genuine hand writing of the decd. Thereupon the Court decided that the said paper writing was duly proved to be the last will of the said decd. so made and executed as to pass both real and personal estate. And the same was ordered to be recorded & filed together with this certificate. And there being no executor named in said will on motion Barnes Bland was appointed Admr. with the will annexed on the estate of the said J. J. Bland upon his giving bond in the sum of $25.000 with Thomas Coy and Saml Smith as his sureties. Bond given and admr qualified in open Court

G. A. Dancy Clerk

In the name of God Amen. I William Cobb of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory and considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz. 1st my will and desire is that all my just debts be paid out of the money on hand at my death.

2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Cobb all the household and kitchen furniture. her choice of negroes Allen or Peter her choice of negroes Mary or Judia one sorrel horse one Buggy and harness one Cart and wheels two Plows and gear one cow and calf two sows and pigs her choice All of which she is to have with one third part of my home tract of land including all my buildings during her natural life or widowhood. then my will and desire is that it be equally divided among all my children

3rd All the rest of my Estate I will to be equally divided among all my children both real and personal as they arrive at twenty one years old and lastly I appoint my Brother Reuben Cobb Guardian for my children and my Father Allen Cobb and my brother James A Cobb Exrs to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of June 1863

Signed Sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of us

William Cobb (Seal)

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William Cobb decd was produced in open Court and there being no subscribing witness to the same Allen Cobb testified that after the death of the said William Cobb he found said paper writing among the valuable papers and effects of the decd. and Theophilus J. Stancil Allen Cobb & Reuben Cobb testified that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of the said decd. and that in their opinion the said paper writing and every part thereof together with the signature of the testator was all in his own proper hand writing. Thereupon the Court decided that said paper writing had been duly proved to be the last will and testament of the said William Cobb decd. So made and executed as to pass both real and personal estate. And thereupon Allen Cobb the person named as exr in said will gave bond in the sum of $50.000 with Peter E Rives and Howell Thomas as Sureties

Bond given and Executor qualified in open Court. It was then ordered that said will and this certificate be recorded and filed

G. A. Dancy Clerk

State of North Carolina
County of Pitt

I, Robert W. Grysdale of the County and State above named do hereby ordain, publish, and declair the following as my will and Testament. To wit

Item first I give and bequeath to my well beloved friend James Joyner all and sundry of my scientific apparatus and chemical laboratory as well as all of my scientific library, medical and other books now stored at his house in Marlboro County of Pitt State of North Carolina. To the said James Joyner I also give and bequeath my mare Lilly with her harness as well as my Kelby to have and to hold all and sundry of these effects forever

Item second I give and bequeath all the residue of my property consisting of trunks clothing, writing desk clothing and all the remaining portions parts and pieces not disposed of in Item first to my well beloved and dear Mother Anne Hunter wife of James Hunter Town of Derwick Island of Yetland Shetland Islands Shetland Great Britain or to her heirs or assigns to have and to hold forever and I hereby appoint my above mentioned well beloved friend James Joyner of Marlboro County of Pitt State of North Carolina as my executor to carry out this my will and Testament as expressed in this instrument

In case of the death of the said James Joyner I desire that the articles expressed in Item first shall revert to Robert Joyner son of Noah Joyner of Marlboro County of Pitt State of North Carolina to have and to hold forever. Should the said Robert Joyner become my legatee I request and pray that he will see that this my will and testament be fully carried into effect.

In testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name this twelth day of May eighteen hundred and sixty one

Robt. W. Grysdale

State of North Carolina Pitt County Court August term 1862

The within paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Robert W. Grysdale decd was produced in open Court this day the execution & every part thereof was duly proved by the oaths of W. D. Jones, W. H. Joyner & Moses Joyner persons acquainted with the hand writing of said decd. and it was further proved that the said paper writing was found among the valuable papers of decd after his death. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same be admitted to probate & recorded and that letters testamentary issue to James Joyner the Executor therein named upon qualifying according to law & entering into bond of two thousand dollars with Moses Joyner & W. D. Jones. Sureties thereto

G. A. Dancy, Clerk