

295] the benefit of his children as above stated and that none of the property which I bequeath to his children shall be used to pay any debt or debts which he may contract before the expiration of five years above named, if Franklin's wife Martha and her children is in need of food & raiment in raising their children they must have it in the way of their part. I appoint my son Andrew Joyce & Hamilton Joyce my Executors. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th June 1846.

Thomas Joyce (Seal)

June Term 1855.

The execution of the last will & Testament of Thos. Joyce deceased (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was duly proved in this Court by the oaths of David B. Hoffman, Samuel H. Taylor, Wilson Fulton & John H. Patton, who proved that ~~the same~~ the same was after his death found among his valuable papers, and that the whole of the same body & signature is in the proper hand writing of the said Thomas Joyce, & that the same be recorded.

Wm. Hill. c. c.

State of North Carolina
Hoke County

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In the name of God amen
I Robert Young of the County
and State aforesaid. Being of sound mind and memory
helped be god do this the 8th day of September in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
fifty five make and publish this my last will
and Testament in the following manner, viz
Item 1st I leave to my wife Mary Young during her
life time forty six acres of Land including the
mansion house or the house in which I now reside
and all the appurtenances thereto belonging, and at
her death I will and bequeath the said forty six
acres of Land to E. H. Young to have and to hold
forever, also I give and bequeath to my wife
Mary Young a bed & bedding, one years provision
out of the crop and stock on hand.
Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my son E. H. Young
all the remaining portions of my Land at my
death & the above mentioned forty six acres at his
death to have and to hold forever.
Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my daughter
Anna Young to her and to her bodily heirs
my negro woman Mariah aged about forty four
years which negro I desire for the benefit of
Anna Young & her children and not to be subject
to any debt or debts which I or Young may
contract or have contracted.
Item 4th I will and bequeath to my son Robert F. Young
my boy Loren aged about seventeen, to him
and to his heirs and assigns forever.
Item 5th I will and bequeath to my daughter Jane
Fulton a negro girl named Patey which girl
is mentioned in a bill of sale to Francis Fulton
also one Cupboard and contents of it, to her her heirs
and assigns forever.
Item 6th I will and bequeath to my daughter
Elizabeth Abbott a certain negro boy Anderson
which she has heretofore received and which
is mentioned in a bill of sale to Jacob Abbott
to have and to hold to her her heirs and assigns
forever.
Item 7th I will and bequeath to my son Josiah Young
my negro boy named William which he has

received into his possession and which is mentioned in a bill of sale to Josiah Young to have and to hold to him the said Josiah Young to his heirs and assigns forever, also I will and bequath to my son Josiah one negro girl named Lucinda about eight years old upon condition that he pays one half of all the just debts which I may owe, to have and to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 8th I will and bequath to my son George Henry Young a certain negro girl which he has received into his possession and also mentioned in a bill of sale previously given which girl is named Vina about nine or ten years of age when he received her, to have and to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever, also I will and bequath to him the said George H Young a negro girl named Margaret about four years of age to have and to hold to him the said George H Young his heirs and assigns forever upon the condition that the said George H Young pays to my creditors the other half of all my just debts which I may owe.

Item 9th I will and bequath to my son John Young in addition to what I have had to pay for him a horse if there should be one on hand, also one side board, one book case, two beds & furniture one clock, my shop tools and also my plantation tools, and my kitchen furniture, two old carry awls and all the house furniture not heretofore mentioned also all the stock and all of every thing on hand not otherwise mentioned.

Item 10th I will and bequath to my daughter Mary A Powers a certain negro girl named Manda which she has heretofore taken in possession and the increase of said negro which girl is mentioned in a bill of sale to B Powers to have and to hold to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

And I do hereby make and ordain my son Josiah Young and George H Young executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said Robert Young have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and date above written signed sealed & delivered in presence of 3
John W. Branson
John T. Davis
Robert Young

December Term 1855

The execution of the last will & Testament of Robert Young deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy, was duly proved in open court by the oaths of John W. Branson & John T. Davis, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded—
Wm. H. Hill, c.c.c.

In the name of God Amen.

I Reuben Make of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this 10th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two make, publish and ordain this my last will and Testament in the manner following.

Item 1st I give and bequath unto my beloved wife Rhoda my tract of land whereon I now live together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging together with all my household and kitchen furniture of every description, also my stock of every description hogs cattle and one black mare and increase, joining intentially together with every thing I possess, at my wife Rhoda death my will is that all the property left be sold and divided in manner following.

Item 2nd I give unto my daughter Anna one feather bed and furniture which she has received.

Item 3rd I give my son James one horse which he has received.

Item 4th I give my son Reuben one horse which he has received.

Item 5th I give my son Abner one horse which he has received.

Item 6th I give my son George one horse which he has received.

Item 7th I give my son Eddy one horse which he has received.

Item 8th I give my son Samuel one horse bed and furniture all of which he has received.

Item 9th I give unto my daughter Franky one bed and furniture all of which she has received.

Item 10th I give my daughter Rhoda one feather bed and furniture which she has received.

Item 11th I give my daughter Lucy one feather bed and furniture which she has received.