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Last will and Testament of Abel Williams decd.
State of North Carolina March the 31st day 1863,
Union County

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In the name of God Amen, I Abel Williams being in
perfect mind and memory numerous thanks be to God for His
mercies toward me and calling to mind the mortality of
my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die, do make and ordain this to be my last
Will and Testament. That is to say in the first place
I recommend my body to be buried in a Christian like
and decent manner, and my soul into the hands of God
that gives it.

Item First
Second

All my just debts to be fully paid up and settled first of all.
I bequeath to my beloved wife, Martha C. Williams, all
my lands and Tenements and all of my other property whatever
during her natural life. After the death of my beloved wife
if there should be any of my effects in property remaining
I will it to be sold at public sale to the highest bidder
and the effects in money arising from such sale to be equally
divided among the lawful heirs of my body, viz:
Ailey L. Williams, and James C. Williams, and Sarah C. Williams,
All to share equally alike.

Item Third,

I constitute my beloved brother in law, Calvin Adams, Executor and
my beloved wife, Martha C. Williams, & T. H. Williams

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I constitute my beloved brother in law, Calvin Nelson, Executor and
my beloved wife, Martha E. Williams Executrix both of them sole
Executor & Executrix of this my last will and Testament.

Hereby revoking all other and former wills by me at any time
heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal the day and year first above writing.
Test. A. W. Tutton.

Abel E. Williams (Seal)
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Last will and Testament of Abel Williams, dec'd Continued.
 Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the said
 Testator, Abel Williams, as and for his last will and
 Testament in the presents of us who have subscribed
 our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said
 Testator.
 R. W. Paulton }
 Robert Jones. }

State of North Carolina } In the probate Court,
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 of Abel Williams dec'd was offered in open Court by
 J. H. Giffin and the due execution of the same was
 duly proven by the oath of R. W. Paulton, one of the
 subscribing witnesses thereto. Robert Jones the other
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 this Will whose signature was duly proven by the
 oath of W. H. Simpson. It is considered by the Probate
 Court that the paper writing every part and clause thereof
 is the last will and Testament of Abel Williams dec'd.
 And Martha E. Williams, the Executrix therein named duly
 qualified as such by taking the oath as prescribed by law.
 Let this Court certify to the Clerk of the Superior Court
 of the County of Union that the above is the last will and Testament of Abel Williams dec'd.

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Letters Issued Testamentary to the said Executrix

James C. Hay Jr.

Let Will be admitted to probate