

State of North Carolina

Union County, I, Elie Heasley

being of sound mind & memory, do make
ordain & publish this to be my last will
& testament as follows —

That out of the first moneys that may come
into the hands of my Executor, my funeral expenses
together with just debts that I may owe, be paid,
I then and I devise to my beloved wife my Christopher
Stevens tract of land containing thirty six
acres, also my home tract containing one
hundred and thirty six acres embracing all the
improvements where I now live and thirty
acres of wood land being a part of the Hogler
tract, & leaving about fifteen acres being on
the west side of the Charlotte Road Monroe
and North west of a road leading west from
said Charlotte Road and passing on the South
side of a house now occupied by J. J. Lecher
embracing said house, the part excepted is a part
of the home tract and a part of the Hogler tract
to have & to hold to her my beloved wife for and
during the term of her natural life in sat-
isfaction for and in lieu of her dower and
third of said estate.

Witness my hand

Elie

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rather with just debts that I may owe be paid.
Now And I devise to my beloved wife my Christopher
Steven tract of ~~land~~ containing thirty six
acres, also my home tract containing one
hundred and thirty six acres embracing all the
improvements ~~where~~ where I now live and thirty
acres of wood land being a part of the Heagler
tract, & leaving about fifteen acres being on
the west side of the Charlotte Road ~~and~~ ~~more~~
and ~~North~~ west of a road leading west from
said Charlotte Road and joining on the South
side of a house now occupied by J. F. Lehan
embracing said house, the part specified is a part
of the home tract and a part of the Heagler tract
to have & to hold to her my beloved wife for and
during the term of her natural life no sat-
isfaction for and in lieu of her dower and
third of and in all my real Estate containing
in aggregate about three hundred and six acres.
I do give and devise to my beloved wife all
my household & kitchen furniture of every descrip-
tion now used by me and my family, one horse
her choice of my stock, all my stock of Hogs
and ^{one} year provisions for herself & stock & also my

Eight day clock, said personal property to be hers during ^{her} natural life, and at her death to be equally divided between the daughters of Andrew and Eliza Starnes

Item 3rd I will and devise to my niece Margaret Starnes about fifty five acres of land being a portion of my horse tract on the west side of the Charlotte & Wmone Road including my dwelling and other improvements, also about twelve acres of ^{woods} land being part of the thirty & three quarter acre Hay tract

Commencing at a pine stump in the west line of said tract a corner of the Post, one acre tract and ~~Running~~ South Easterly to a Post Oak (now down) & thence by W. O. a corner of the Wmone tract & following the life estate of my beloved wife in a portion of the above described pieces of land devised in the ~~Second~~ Item of this my will. The fifteen acres described and excepted ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{my} ~~will~~ ^{will} I give and devise to the said Margaret Starnes after my death, and the balance after the death of my beloved wife all of the above described fifty five acres, I will

the said Margaret Starnes after my death, and the balance after the death of my beloved wife all of the above described fifty five acres, I will to her the said Margaret Starnes during her natural life then to her bodily heirs in fee simple forever,
Item 4th I will to Margaret Starnes the following articles of personal property one bed & furniture and all the bed clothing, known as hers one good cow of my stock and at the death of my wife my right dog Cloak

Item 5th I give & devise to my nephews William Heenly and Dawson Heenly my Christopher Stevens Tract of land lying on each side of Crooked Creek containing about ninety six acres William Heenly to have the north East end containing about fifty one acres & settling the life estate of my beloved wife in the said fifty one acres of land will to her in the second item of this my will, the said land I devise to him & during his natural life then to his bodily heirs in fee simple forever I give and devise to Dawson Heenly the north west end of said tract which I have had since

off to him (a flat of which he holds) being
forty five acres & left the life Estate of my
beloved wife will to her in the second Item
of this my will: The said forty five acres
of land I devise to him during his natural
life then to his bodily heirs in fee simple
forever - This to be said Dawson Hawks portion
of my Estate

Item 6th I give and devise to Jacob Starns about forty one
acres of land lying on both sides of Crooked Creek
bounded as follows ~~beginning~~ ^{beginning} Beginning at
a stone in the side of the Charlotte Monroe
Road at the corner & runs with a line
of the forty eight acre tract at 34 1/4 N 71 3/4 poles
to a stone, thence N 60 E 110 poles crossing Crooked
Creek to a pine knot thence S 34 E about 47 1/2
poles to the old line ^{thence with the old line} S 47 1/2 N 110 poles crossing
Creek to the beginning to him & his bodily heirs
in fee simple forever to be his portion of my Estate
my will and desire is that said Jacob Starns do
advise and assist my beloved wife in directing
her lands and managing her Estate

Item 7th I will and devise to Elisha Wilson & his wife
Elizabeth Wilson a certain judgment which I

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in fee simple forever to be his portion of my Estate
my will and desire is that said Jacob ~~Stems~~ do
advise and assist my beloved wife in executing
her lands and managing her Estate

Item 7th I will and devise to Elisha Wilson & his wife
Elizabeth Wilson a certain judgment which I
hold against the said Elisha ^{Wilson} amounting to
about one hundred dollars to be their portion
of my Estate

Item 8th I will and devise to Martha Ann Condit
wife of Mark Condit the sum of Fifty dollars
to be her portion of my Estate

Item 9th I will and devise to Eli Henry Jones son of
Danson Henry the sum of Fifty dollars to
be paid to his guardian by my Executors

Item 10th I give and devise to Thomas Condit Thirty
acres of land to be run off of my old home place
commencing on the Charlotte & Monroe Road
and run parallel with Thomas Condit's ^{line} to the
line of the Yandle tract to have during his
natural life then to his bodily heirs in fee simple
forever which is to be his portion of my Estate

Item 11th I will and devise to Marcus Brown son of Amos
Brown Fifty Eight acres of land known as

the Leary Tract adjoining Jacob Storms, J. M. Herkey
and others and lying on both sides of the Charlotte and
Monroe Road to him during his natural life then
to his bodily heirs in fee simple forever but in ~~case~~
he should die without bodily heirs then and that
case the above described lands to go to the legatees
named in Item 18th of this my will

Item 12th I give and devise to the Children of Brother Amos Herkey
to wit: Rufus Herkey, Myatt Herkey, Dove Herkey,
Margaret Herkey, and Eliza Herkey all that portion
of my home tract of land lying on the East side
of the Charlotte ^{& Monroe Road} containing about one hundred
and sixty five acres to be divided into five shares
of equal value, and ^{said} children to have one share
each of said land and is subject to the life Estate
of my beloved wife devised to her in the Second
Item of this my will said land I devise to them
and each of them and to their bodily heirs in
fee simple forever.

Item 13th I will and devise to the Children of Andrew Storms
to wit: Harriet Storms, Esther Storms, Fessie ~~Chandler~~
wife of B. F. Fitcher Edy McRorie wife of Abner M. Mc-
Rorie Arthur Storms Jr. and Bethe Burns wife
of Charles Burns and to the Children of Lewis and

for simple forever.

Stum 13th I will and devise to the Children of Andrew Starns
to wit: Harriet Starns, Esther Starns, Fiskia ~~Chick~~
wife of B. F. Fitcher Edy McVorie wife of Wm McV-
orie Andrew Starns Jun^r and Bethe Beers wife
of Charles Beers and to the Children of Lewis and
Coreas Conder, dec^d to wit: Eli Conder, Mabel
Conder, Frank Conder, and Alice Williams
Daughter of Thomas Veenly deceased my old
Home tract adjoining Andrew Starns Eli
Conder & others containing Three hundred
Acres & being thirty acres willed to Thomas
Conder (in Stum 10th of this record) to be divided into
ten Shares as near equal as possible in point of
value, and each of the above named Children to
have one Share to them and each of them and their
bodily heirs in fee simple forever.

Stum 14th I will and devise to John Wilson ^{his} wife Polly A.
Wilson Twenty and a half acres of land known
as a part of the Porty one acre Hagler tract adjoining
lands of John Wilson & L Brown tract & others and
being the most End of said forty one acre tract
to be parted off by a line commencing at a point
in a line of the L Brown tract and running

one north to the line on the opposite side of
the plantation to have and to hold the said
Twenty and a half acres of land to them during
their natural lives and then to their bodily
heirs in fee simple forever

Item 15th

I will and devise to the Methodist Episcopal
Church for the purpose of repairing or improving
the Church Building at Bellet the sum
of ~~Fifty~~ Dollars to be paid by my Executors
to the Trustees of said Church to be used by
them at such time as they deem best for
the benefit of said Church

Item 16th

I will & devise to the Lutheran Church
at Morning Star in Mecklenburg Co, V.C.,
the sum of Fifty Dollars to be paid by my Executors
to the Trustees of said Church to be used by them
at such time and for such purposes as they
deem best for the benefit of said Church

Item 17th

I will and devise that my Brown Hill Gold
mine tract of land be held by my Executors
and that ^{they} are empowered and hereby authorized
to lease and let the same for the purpose of
prospecting for gold or other minerals, and
make sale of said Gold mine lands at such
time and in such manner as they shall think

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I will and devise that my Brown Hill Gold
mine tract of land be held by my Executors
and that ^{they} are empowered and fully authorized
to lease and let the same for the purpose of
prospecting for gold or other minerals, and
make Sale of said Gold mine lands at such
time and on such terms as they may deem
to be best interest of my Estate.

Item 18th

I will and devise that all the balance of my
property both real and personal be sold on such
terms as my Executors shall deem to be best
interest of my Estate and all the debts due me
be collected and ^{money} money on hand at my death
and the proceeds from sale of Gold mine go
to make up a sum total and after deducting
debts Legacies & expenses the remainder shall
be equally divided between my beloved wife,
Eli Gordon, Mack Gordon, Frank Gordon,
Harriet Starnes, Esther Starnes, Andrew Starnes
Jr., Victoria Fincher, Edy McRorie, Margaret
Starnes, Betty Burns, William Henry, Elly
William Relfus Henry, Wyatt Henry, David
Henry, Eliza Henry, Margaret Henry making
Shares each of the above named to be paid one share

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Item 19 I do hereby constitute and appoint R. L. Stewart
Esqr. John A. Bigges and M. L. Bigges to be a
Committee to divide and lay off in lots the
my Eight day block ^{devised} lands described in the several items of this
will to be divided and allot the same as
directed in this my will also to set off to
my beloved wife one year provisions as directed
in the second item of this my will
And lastly I do hereby appoint and constitute
my trusty friends B. F. Houston and Dawson Henry
my lawful Executors 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 and declaring
void all other wills and Testaments by me
heretofore made

In witness whereof I the said Eli Henry
do hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day
of June A.D. 1890
Eli Henry Seal

signed sealed published
and declared by the said
Eli Henry to be his last
Will and Testament in
the presence of

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this my will
was intestate
before signing

my beloved wife One year previous as dis-
posed in the Second item of this my will
And lastly I do hereby appoint and constitute
my lawful Executors 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 and declaring
void all other wills and Testaments by me
heretofore made

In witness whereof I the said Eli Hardy
do hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day
of June A.D. 1890

Eli Hardy

signed sealed published
and declared by the said
Eli Hardy 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

J. D. L. Biggers
E. A. Lemon