

Solomon B. Marsh's last will & testament

In the name of God, Amen. I Solomon B. Marsh of the County of Union and State of North Carolina on this 15th day of March 1863. being very sick and weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory knowing it is appointed unto all men once to die and next to appear in judgment do make & ordain This my last will and testament in manner and form following

First and principle of all I commend my body to the earth to be buried in in a decent and Christian like manner at the discretion of my friends and and my soul to God who gave it trusting in his mercies for further happiness And as for such worldly estate as it has been pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise and bequeath in the following manner and form

Item 1st I give and devise to my kind and loving wife The land and plantation where on I now live Also all my house hold and kitchen furniture not here in after willed away during her natural life time. Also one Iron Grey mule one black Colt, my waggon and gear. My wheat thrasher, Plantation tools and one half the income of my mill. All the provision I have on hand except what wheat the family can spare. Also my black Smith tools. Three small Cows and calves Four head of dry cattle her choice. Fifteen head of sheep. Also all my hogs. Also all my negroes. all the above property I will to my wife during her natural life time. But as my children marry off and settle. It is my will that each one should have a portion of the property I have willed to my wife allotted to him or her at a fair valuation such as my wife can spare

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Item 3^d I give unto my son James A. Marsh one half of my mill at the price of one thousand Dollars and sixty three acres of land whereon he now lives and one mile at the valuation of Three Hundred & fifty Dollars and one third of what has been made by the mill for the last two years and all the other property I have here to fore given him as that in a final division of the residue of my estate he may receive in all that has been given him of my estate an equal share with my other children & if he shall have received more than his share at the final Division of my estate he shall pay back enough to my estate so that his share shall be equal with my other children Item 4th I give, devise and bequeath to my daughter Sarah M. Green all the property I have here to fore given unto her person and a good bed saddle to be purchased & paid for out of my estate and in the final distribution of my estate she shall have an equal share of all my estate both real & personal to her and to her heirs and assigns forever

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Item 6 I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Ann Marsh an equal share of all my estate both real and personal at the final distribution of all my estate but to have as much at her marriage as I have given her two Sisters; including one good side saddle & bridle Beacon Feather Bed and Furniture as an advancement to her her heirs and assigns for ever

Item 7 I give and devise and bequeath to my son Edmund Marsh an equal share of all my estate in the final distribution of all and to have an equal share of education with my other sons and an equal advancement with my other Children when he becomes of age to be paid for out of my estate so that in all he may receive an equal share with my other Children

Item 8 I give devise and bequeath to my son John L. Marsh an equal share of all my estate both real and personal at the final distribution of my estate and to have an equal share of distribution in the way of education with my other sons and an equal advancement when he becomes of age to be paid out of my estate so that in all he may receive an equal share with my other Children

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