

W<sup>m</sup> Harvey  
Will

In the name of God, Amen!

I William Harvey, of Washington County North Carolina, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows viz:

I give and bequeath to my daughter Sophie Haughton the tract of land adjoining the lands of John Oliver, Rich Haughton, Emanuel Steely and others, and containing twenty six acres, which I purchased of E.S. Davenport wife to be held by the said Sophie Haughton her heirs and assigns forever.

II all the notes and accounts due me at the time of my death shall be collected by the executors to this will and be equally divided and given to my two daughters, Sophie Haughton and Jane Harvey, and to my widow Anna Harvey.

III I give to my widow Anna Harvey, one half of the tract of land on which I now live, adjoining the lands of Emanuel Steely, C.R. Gaylord to her; which I purchased of the Surveying heirs, to be held in trust by the said Anna Harvey during her natural life and then to my daughter Jane Harvey. The other half of said tract of land I give to my daughter Jane Harvey her heirs and assigns forever.

IV All the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal I give to my said widow Anna Harvey and to my daughter Jane Harvey in equal shares V I hereby appoint and constitute Rich Haughton and Rich Tracy as executors to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills and testaments by me made.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1873

signed William Harvey

testip

C.R. Gaylord

R. S. Tracy

Probate

Washington County: In the Probate Court

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William Harvey deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate in and for said County by Richard Haughton one of the executors therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said William Harvey by the oath and examination of C.R. Gaylord and R.S. Tracy the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn doth depose and say, and each for himself doth witness and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of William Harvey, that the said William Harvey in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of the said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1873, and the deponent further saith, that the said William Harvey did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will

as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will and testament aforesaid, and that the time of the deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said William Harvey was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge or information or belief of this deponent, and further these deponents say not.

Sincerely sworn and subscribed  
this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 1874  
before me

Probate Judge

signed C.R. Gaylord  
R. S. Tracy

Washington  
Will

In the name of God, Amen. I E.S. Davenport of the County of Washington, and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following. That is to say: First, that my Executrix (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts out of the monies that may first come into her hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item I give and devise to my beloved wife, Sister Virginia, all my property of every kind and description (not hereinafter disposed of) including lands, Mill, bonds, notes, monies &c. for and during the term of her natural life.

Item At the death of my wife, Sister Virginia, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Bonnie May, and her heirs forever (provided she, Bonnie May, shall leave lawful issue of her body) all the property of every kind and description, which I, in the previous item have given and devised to my wife Sister Virginia.

Item If my daughter, Bonnie May, shall die without leaving lawful issue of her body, I then give and bequeath to Perseverance Lodge #59 of Free and Accepted Masons of Plymouth, the mill and appurtenances thereto belonging, together with all the land lying between the main road ~~to~~ the road leading from the main road to the mill - all of which I appoint my wife in a previous "item" during her natural life.

The said Perseverance Lodge #59 is to run said mill and the proceeds after deducting expenses for repairs are to be regularly distributed annually to the widows and orphans of members of said Lodge. Said Perseverance Lodge is never to dispose of said property, sale and should said Lodge ever do so, or propose to do so, then my will and desire is that said property shall be sold publicly at the Court House door in Plymouth for cash by the Worshipful Master of

Perseverance Lodge No 59 and the proceeds of said sale given to the Methodist Protestant Conference to be used by them as they may think proper.

Item. Should my daughter Dennis May die without leaving lawful issue of her body I then give to the Methodist Protestant Church of Albemarle District all the land and other property given in the first "item" to my wife during her natural life, not disposed of in an "item" herein written before. Said land and premises are to be held and used by said Church as a parsonage or residence for the Circuit Rider of Albemarle District for the Methodist Protestant Church.

Said Church is never to dispose of said property and should it (the Church) ever attempt to do so, my will and desire is, that said property shall be sold at the First Home door in Plymouth for Cash by the Unanimous Master of Perseverance Lodge No 59 of Plymouth Free and Accepted Masons, and the proceeds of said sale given to Trinity College Randolph County N.C. to be used by the President of said College as he may think proper.

Item. I give and bequeath to R J Downing all my right title and interest in the land known as the "Old Richard Downing Tract" except so much as lies on the left side of a line, beginning at a Red oak at the point where the road running in front of R J Downing's meets the main road passing in front of my house and said line running at 76° N along a line of marked trees to a Pine & Holly on the edge of Mackey Creek. The last "item" is to take effect provided I should die without, of said land by deed or otherwise previous to my death.

Item. It is my will and desire that my Executing shall sell on such terms as she may see proper the land known as the Duckett tract containing 150 acres more or less. I further desire that she (my Executing) shall pay over to R J Downing two fifths (2/5) of the proceeds of said sale.

Item. My will and desire is that my Executing shall sell any of the cattle property or any of the wood land she may think proper for the purpose of satisfying any debts due by me provided she does not sell any adjoining the mill or any cleared land on the east side of the road passing in front of my present residence.

Item. I do hereby constitute and appoint my dearly beloved wife Foster Virginia, my lawful Executing, to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last Will and Testament, according to the intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In testimony whereof, I the said E S Davenport do hereunto set my hand and seal, this 9<sup>th</sup> day May 1850.

(Signed) E S Davenport Seal

Probate

Washington County:  
In the matter of the will of  
E S Davenport dec'd

On the Probate Court

A paper writing without subscription and signature purporting to be the last will and testament of E S Davenport deceased is exhibited before the undersigned, Judge of Probate Court for said County by Hester V Davenport the Executing therein named, and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of Samuel Blood who being duly sworn doth depose and say that the said will was found among the valuable papers of the said E S Davenport after his death, and it is further proved by the oath and examination of three credible witnesses to wit: H P Norman, John McEachan and R J Melby who being duly sworn doth depose and say, and each for him self & the deponent's death, that they and each of them are well acquainted with the hand writing of the said E S Davenport, having often seen him write, and verily believe that the name of the said E S Davenport, subscribed to said will and the said will itself and every part thereof are in the proper hand writing of the said E S Davenport, and that the hand writing is generally known to the acquaintances of the said E S Davenport, and further their deponents say not.

Sworn & subscribed  
before me this the 1st day of  
March 1851. R J Melby  
Probating

From which last will Hester V Davenport widow dissent.

R J Melby Probating

State of North Carolina  
Washington County

I Julia Ann Davenport, a Citizen of the State of North Carolina, do make and declare this to be my last Will & Testament, revoking all others.  
I do hereby bequeath to my sister Hester V Spruill all my property, of every sort whatsoever, including all my Real Estate, in the town of Plymouth, & her one ten year son.

I do hereby bequeath my said Sister Hester V Spruill my whole estate to her my last will & Testament.

In testimony whereof I have signed and sealed this 14 day of October 1857.

Signed sealed and  
acknowledged in presence of  
John A. Johnson 3  
J. T. Huntington 3  
J. T. Huntington 3

Julia A. Davenport Seal