

State of North Carolina
Washington County } In the Probate Court.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jeremiah P. Newberry, deceased, is Exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by W. A. Moore, the Executor therein mentioned, and the due Execution thereof by the said Jeremiah P. Newberry, by the oath and Examination of W. A. Moore and Daniel Garrett, the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and say, that he is a Subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jeremiah P. Newberry; that the said J. P. Newberry, in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the day of January 1881. And the deponent further saith, that the said Jeremiah P. Newberry, the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of Subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper - writing 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 Will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponent's Subscribing his name as an Attesting Witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Jeremiah P. Newberry, was of sound mind and memory, of full age & executes a will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge or belief of this deponent.

And further these deponents say not.

W. A. Moore 
Daniel Garrett 

Severally Sworn and Subscribed
This 26th day of April 1883. before me
G. S. Ingram
Probate Judge

I Mary a Dowdman in the name of God Amen, being of sound mind but knowing the uncertainty of human affairs do make this my last will and testament I hereby appoint and constitute my true friend A. W. Powers, Executor of this my last will and testament, and do hereby authorize and empower my said executor to sell all of my real property at public sale after giving proper notice and with the money raised from said sale of the aforesaid property to pay such legacies as I shall hereinafter mention.

Item the 1st

I give and bequeath to my sister in law Elizabeth H. Blount one hundred dollars to be paid to her from the sale of my real property.

Item the 2nd

I give and bequeath to my brother in law Charles H. Blount one hundred dollars to be paid to him from the sale of my real property.

Item the 3rd

I give and bequeath to A. W. Powers one hundred dollars to be paid from the sale of my real property.

Item the 4th

I give and bequeath to Frank R. Johnston one hundred dollars to be paid from the sale of my real property.

Item the 5th

I give and bequeath unto my sister Harriet E. Woodard one hundred dollars to be paid from the sale of my real property.

Item the 6th

I give and bequeath unto Samuel B. Johnston seven children seven hundred dollars to be equally divided between them as their heirs and I hereby appoint the said Samuel B. Johnston as Guardian for said children and the money to be paid to him for their part of the sale of my real property.

Item the 7th

I give and bequeath unto Edna Woodard one hundred dollars to be paid her out of the sale of my real property. Also I give unto the said Edna Woodard my Red Bedstead mattress Pillows and Bolster and bed clothing which belong to the same. and I appoint.

Samuel B. Johnston as Guardian to
the said John Woodard of the said
Legacy of One Hundred Dollars until she
shall become of Age.

June 24th I hereby direct my Executor to purchase an
Iron fence to be placed around the
Downing Grave yard at St. Lukes Church
Washington County. And my Executor is
directed to take the first money realized from
the sale of my real property to purchase said
fence and to perform the necessary work

After the above mentioned legacies have
all been satisfied in full, I hereby give and
bequeath the balance of the money realized from
the sale of my real property. unto the Ophrah
Orphan Asylum of North Carolina.

November 18th I direct and authorize my executor to sell
all of my personal property. Not otherwise
disposed of in this will. And with the funds
realized after paying all my just debts
to pay one half of the money of said
funds unto my sister Mary E. Johnston
children. And the other half to be paid to
my sister Hannah E. Woodruffs children
The testimony whereof I hereby set my hand
and seal this 23rd day of April 1888

Henry A. Downing

Signed sealed and
delivered in presence of
J. B. Spruce Jr
D. Spruce

I hereby authorize and direct my Executor
to take twenty five dollars of the money upon
the funds Ophrah Asylum to buy a Tomb
for my grave the same day and style that
does my wife. This 23rd day of April 1888

Signed sealed and
delivered in presence of
Aug. M. Moore
J. B. Spruce Jr

This paper writing to which we have subscribed
and assented is acknowledged by the testator
to be his last will and codicil to the same
Aug. M. Moore
J. B. Spruce Jr

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A paper purporting to be the last will and
testament of Henry A. Downing dead is
exhibited before me the undersigned
Judge of Probate for said County by
L. M. Powers the Executor therein mentioned
and the due execution thereof by
the said L. M. Powers by the oath and
examination of J. B. Spruce & D. Spruce and
Aug. M. Moore the subscribing witnesses thereto
who being duly sworn each severally and
separately for himself depose and say
that he is a subscribing witness to the paper
writing now shown him purporting to be the
last will and testament of Henry A.
Downing that the said Henry A. Downing
in the presence of this deponent subscribed
his name at the end of said paper
writing which is now shown as aforesaid
and which bears date as aforesaid of the
23rd day of April 1888 and the deponent
further saith that the said Henry A.
Downing the testator aforesaid died at the
time of subscribing his name as aforesaid
deponent the said paper writing so subscribed
by him and exhibited to be his last
will and testament and this deponent
did then and there subscribe his name at
the end of said will as an attesting
witness thereto and at the request and
in the presence of said testator and
this deponent further saith that at the
said time when the said testator subscribed
his name to the said last will as aforesaid
and at the time of deponent subscribing
his name as an attesting witness thereto as
aforesaid the said Henry A. Downing was

of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

D. Spruce for said
D. Spruce
Angl. Moore

Severely sworn and
Subscribed this 18th day
of June 1883 before me
J. G. Arnold Probate Judge

State of North Carolina
Washington County

In J. G. Arnold Probate Judge for Washington County
& L. M. Powers renounce my right as Executor to the
Will of Henry A. Downing Deed and request that
Mr. C. Downing be appointed Administrator of the
Estate of said Henry A. Downing with the Will annu-
led this the 21 day of June 1883 L. M. Powers

In the Name of God amen I Esther Leary
of the County of Washington and State of
North Carolina Calling to mind that she has
appointed that all right & what worthy
goods of both pleased God to bestow on me
I dispose of in the following manner
I let Sister Mary Jane one Acre for her
to live on so long as she remains Sister
Leary on the East Side of the branch that
runs by the grave yard to be laid on
my land where the Oaks grow I let to my
Dearest have one acre of my land on the
South Side of Main branch binding on
the Swamp so long as she remains living
with a fringe of fire wood the residue
to her house the balance of all my land
that I bought of Downing Leary my brother
and all that my brother Powell Henry
did leave me by his last will and to have

I let Downing Leary Jane one Acre her natural life time
and not for him to be substituted by any person I let my
Brother Downing have all my stock of Cattle and hogs
for his support to live on and together my household and
kitchen furniture all for the use of my Brother Downing
Leary only the property that I have let my Brother Down-
ing have for him to live on is not to be
held for the payment of us debt before
my making this will nor even that he
shall make after this for I mean it for
my Brother Downing to live on and if
my Brother Downing do become infirm
and not able to work to get his support
then in that case my wife is that my
Executor hereafter mentioned do see at
public Sale on application of Downing
Leary any quantity of my land that Downing
Leary shall say and pay the money to
Downing Leary for him to live on and
if Downing Leary do not do well to consume
my land or that there should be a part used then in
that case I give the balance to the heirs lawfully begotten by
Enah Hopkins and if the same Enah Hopkins should
not have such heirs lawfully begotten by her body in that case
the balance of my will is to give it equally be tween
Mary and Elizabeth Long Daughters of Phlope Long Dec
I do acknowledge this to be my last will and testament given
under my hand and seal this 12th day October in the year of
our Lord 1844 I appoint my friend William L. Rhoads my
Executor to this my last will

Witness
My J. Starr
Henry J. Starr

Esther Leary
mark

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A paper purporting to be the last will
and testament of Esther Leary deceased
is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge
of Probate of said County by Charles
Latham Atty for Mary and Elizabeth
Therise mentioned also the due execution thereof by the
said Charles Latham by the oath and
examination of Henry J. Starr and to follow