

And this Deponent said, 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 this name as attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said William M. Patrick was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint or the knowledge, information or belief of these Deponents; And further these Deponents say not.

It shall read And shall read

Generally known and subscribed this 27th day December 1889,
before me, Peter J. Harrison - Probate Judge.

State of North Carolina
Washington County

I W. A. Spruill of the County and State aforesaid 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- I give and devise to my beloved wife Mary E. Spruill the farm whereon I now live called Oakland (except such portions as shall be set out by me and my wife and the southern portion of said farm to my Daughter) also ten acres near Concord Church where Sonny Henry lives also my interest in the four-thousand acre tract - to have and to hold to her, the said Mary E. Spruill for and during the term of her natural life, - in satisfaction for and in lieu of her dower and thirds of and in all my real estate;

Item - I give and devise to my son Dempsey Spruill Belgrade Farm (except such portions as are mentioned in another item) also one bed and furniture and one cow and calf all of which he has, in satisfaction for and in lieu of his part of my estate;

Item I give and devise to my three daughters Maggie Spruill Josephine Spruill and Mary E. Spruill the following Real estate to be divided as follows (and drawn for) First all that tract of land on the southern portion of the said Oakland farm beginning at a poplar stump at the western end of a six foot ditch at H. W. Phelps line, running east, along said ditch and following the field road to my main leading ditch that runs down by Creswell, thence running along said ditch to a four foot ditch that runs to the main

Road said ditch formerly being the dividing line between my own land and the land owned by Mrs. E. Peligrew thence running along said four foot ditch to the main road, thence along said Road to the corner of Belgrade Plantation and at the fork of the road that leads by St. Davids Church thence running along said road and following the various courses of the same to Spruill's line to Dempsey Spruill's line to Dempsey Spruill's line running up the river and following the various courses of the same to Spruill's line thence following the road that leads to Creswell to the fork that leads to St. Davids Church thence along said road that leads to St. Davids Church to a ditch the dividing line between my own land and a portion of the town of Greenville, thence along said ditch to the main road at the Cal. Methodist Church thence across the main road and following the courses of my own line, and Rappahannock and Washington Bennett's line to my main leading ditch thence along said ditch to the main road, thence along said road to H. W. Phelps line, thence along said Phelps line to the beginning, including also in this item all that tract of land left by will to my son Dempsey Spruill, by my father subsequently added to me by my son, containing ten acres and adjoining the lands of the late Dempsey Woodley.

Second, all that tract of land whereon I now live called Oakland except that portion which has already been mentioned in a former item, and also except the life estate of my beloved wife Mary E. Spruill as mentioned in a former item I include in this item all that tract of land being swamp land containing 30 acres adjoining the lands firmly owned by Little Isaac Bottom also all that tract of swamp land containing 30 acres more or less adjoining the lands of the late Joseph Allen and others.

Third - all that tract of land known as Holly Grove Farm, firmly owned by my son Dempsey Spruill also all that tract of land known as Poplar tract adjoining the aforesaid farm but from the proceeds of the property mentioned in this item must be paid to my daughter (that amount, the land on the southern side of Oakland farm and adjoining the town of Creswell) Two thousand dollars without interest within six years after my death, and said Holly Grove Farm is to be responsible for the payment of said amount. To have and to hold to them and their heirs in fee simple forever.

Item My Will and desire is, that my beloved wife Mary E. Spruill and my daughter that draws the southern portion of Oakland Farm have equal right to my main leading ditch or Canals that lead by Creswell, all parties doing using their equal share in keeping said Canals in order, and in keeping up the fences around said Farm

Personally appearing my Mary E. Spruill and her and
subscribed to the will presented by her for the
qualification of executor, and after was sworn to her
the year 11th 1890 Peter J. Harrison C. S. C.
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Item - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary C. Spruill six of the best choice of the mules and horses, also three of the best choice of the cattle, - belonging to the farm where I now live - also all the money and notes that I have on hand at my death, and all my personal property not otherwise mentioned in this will, to have and to hold, absolutely.

Item - I give and bequeath to my three daughters Maggie Spruill Josephine Spruill and Mary C. Spruill each, one bed and furniture and one cow and calf.

Item - I give and devise to my daughter that draws Nelly Grove Farm all the mules cattle and farming utensils belonging to said farm.

Item - I give and devise to my daughter (that draws the southern portion of Oakland Farm) the remainder of my horse mules and cattle belonging to Oakland farm after taking out the number mentioned in a previous item.

Item - It is my will and desire made in this my last will, should either of my daughters mentioned in this my will, die without an heir the property bequeathed shall be equally divided between my two surviving daughters -

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary C. Spruill my lawful executrix to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and bequest, according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Mrs. A. Spruill do hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of January A.D. 1855

(signed)

Mrs. A. Spruill (seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Mrs. A. Spruill, to be her last will and testament, in the presence of us, we at her request and in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

Joseph A. Phelps

Henry W. Phelps

I Mrs. A. Spruill testator in this will make the premises Codicil, I give and devise to my daughter that draws (the southern portion of Oakland Farm) the following piece of land commencing at Elmer's corner running east to a gum stump thence west to Elmer's line thence north along Elmer's line to the first station

Joseph A. Phelps
Henry W. Phelps

(signed)

Mrs. A. Spruill (seal)

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Washington County }

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of W. A. Spruill deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of Superior Court for said County by Mrs. Mary C. Spruill the executrix therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said W. A. Spruill by the oath of Henry W. Phelps and Joseph A. Phelps the subscribing witnesses, who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of W. A. Spruill that the said W. A. Spruill, in the presence of the deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 14 day of January 1855.

And the deponent further saith, that the said W. A. Spruill the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing to be subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament, and the 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 the deponent further saith, that, the said thing 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 W. A. Spruill 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

(signed)

Henry W. Phelps

Joseph A. Phelps

(seal)

(seal)

Severally sworn and
subscribed this 11th day
of June 1850. Before me
the J. Mainwair
Clerk Super Court }