

Box 13
No. 15

In the name of God Amen I, Laurence Ryan City Sheriff of Charleston do hereby make and declare, this to be my last Will & Testament. It is my will that all my Debts be paid, I have only a life Estate, in what property Real & Personal I possess, in virtue of my former Wife's Marriage Settlement dated in 1828, and recorded in the proper Offices - The following is an Extract of the Settlement, which shows how, the property is settled "In Trust for the Joint use benefit and behoof of the said Laurence Ryan, and Ann Ball Tharing, during their Joint lives, but, not be subject to, or liable for the present, or any future debts, Contracts, or engagements of the said Laurence Ryan, and from and immediately, after the death of either of them the said Laurence Ryan, and Ann Ball Tharing, then in Trust, for the use benefit and behoof of the Survivor of them, for and during his or her natural life, and from and immediately after the death of such Survivor, then in Trust for the ^{use} benefit and behoof of such Child, or Children of the said Ann Ball Tharing, as shall or may be living at the death of such Survivor (Share and share alike if more than one child)" I relinquish to my present Wife & her Children any legal claim I may have against her Real & Personal Property - Should I at the time of my Death, own any Property in my own Right - I will & bequeath one half to my Wife and the other half to my Daughter Ann - I regret that I cannot do more, for so good a Wife and Mother to my Children - I place her (though not a Catholic) and my Children under the protection of the Catholic Church, but particularly I place my only and beloved Daughter Ann under the most special protection of the Nuns, she has lost her Catholic Mother, and her

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Society now ^{entirely} consists of those, who are ignorant, and strongly prejudiced against
our Religious Faith. - For these and other reasons, I most solemnly request
the Nuns, to take her under their special protection - I appoint the Right
Reverend Bishop England Guardian of the Person and Estate of my children
I request the Prayers of the Bishop and the clergy of the Diocese. - Lastly I
nominate, constitute and appoint my Friends, the Right Reverend Bishop
England the Honble ^{Judge} Jacob Arson, and General Edward St Edwards Executors
of this my last Will and Testament,

Given under my Hand and Seal
this Seventh Day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight

190 hundred and Forty two — Laurence Ryan — L.R. Box 13

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us, who in the presence of each other witnessed the same

Thomas Shannon — John Kirby — Jer. L. Connell

Proved before Thos. Schre Esqre. C.C.T.D. this 28th day of March 1842 —
1842 May 24th qualified 10m Rice admr. cum test anns

Box 13 In the Name of God Amen. I, Jacob F. Mintzing being now confined
No. 14 by severe illness but of sound mind memory and understanding do hereby make
this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say —
I do give and bequeath three Slaves named Mary and her two sons Billy and
Joseph to my daughter Anna Maria Mintzing her Executors Administrators and
assigns. I give bequeath and devise to my beloved Wife Louisa Mintzing
her Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns, one undivided Moiety of a House
and Lot in Minority Street, and any other property to which I may have claim
after the decease of her father, also the Slaves named Maria and her son Aba-
ham, also the brown woman named Louisa and her children Clara, Nancy
and Chester, also all my Household and Kitchen Furniture. I next direct
that after the payment of all my just debts, all the rest residue and remainder
of all my Estate and property both real and personal, of whatsoever nature
and kind, including my moiety and share both real and personal of all
Estate and property held jointly with Henry Sibly, shall, at the time when my