

12-18 : } The State of South Carolina In the Name of God Amen  
 N-3 : } I Stephen Oliver of the Village of Washington Charleston

Wook in the District of Charleston being not in health of body  
 but of sound mind memory and understanding (thanks be to almighty  
 God for the same) and being desirous of settling my worldly

affairs whilst I have strength and Capacity so to do, do make  
 and publish this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking & mak-

ing void all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made, Im-

primis my Will and desire is that all my Just debts and funeral  
 expenses be paid in as short a period after my decease as pos-

sible. Item I give and bequeath unto all my relations the sum  
 of One Dollar the same to be paid by my Executors and Executrices

hereinafter named on demand provided the said demand be made by  
 my said relations within Twelve Months after my decease. Item

it is my Will and desire that all my household and Kitchen fur-

niture, horses and Cart (except such of the household & Kitchen  
 furniture as Nelly may select for the use of herself and Child-

ren) be sold by my executors and executrices hereinafter named  
 either at private or public sale as may seem to them most ad-

vantageous. Item I give and bequeath unto my Esteemed friends  
 William Cattell William Henry Inglesby & my beloved nieces Mar-

garet J. Prefaley and Catharine Ann Prefaley the money arising  
 from such sale as well as all money remaining in hand and all

such debts sum or sums of money as shall be due or owing to me  
 at the time of my death to have and to hold to them the said

William Cattell and William Henry Inglesby Margaret J Prefaley  
 and Catharine Anne Prefaley their Executors administrators and

assigns upon this Special trust and Confidence that is to Say  
 that they the said trustees as aforesaid place the said monies

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soon as received in good Stock or other good and Sufficient Securities in their names as trustees, and also in trust that they shall receive the interest and dividends thereof from time to time as the same shall become payable and pay apply and dispose of the same or a Sufficient part thereof for and towards the maintenance support and bringing up of the children of Welly and for and towards the maintenance of Welly; the children are Gally Harriet Martha and Francis: the support and maintenance to continue to Welly for & during her Natural life and to the children until they shall Severally and respectively attain the age of twenty years and as each of the above mentioned Children attains the said age of twenty years the said Support to be discontinued as to him or her except only as to the payment of his or her taxes and When the youngest child shall have attained the age of twenty years in trust to pay assign transfer and convey all the residue of said trust estate with the interest dividends and produce thereof as shall not have been applied for and towards the maintaining Welly and maintaining and bringing up of said Children as aforesaid equally share and share alike/<sup>unto</sup> amongst all the said children as shall be living at the time the said youngest child shall attain the age of Twenty years, and should any or either of the said Children die before attaining the age of twenty years without leaving issue & when Welly shall die his or her part to be equally divided among the Survivor or Survivors. But in case any or either of the children above mentioned shall happen to die under the age of twenty years or before the youngest child attains the age of twenty years leaving issue then the issue of such child or children to receive from my trustees aforesaid the proportion that the said ~~Child~~ <sup>Child</sup> have received had he or she

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been living at the period of such division. And I do authorise and empower my said trustees from time to time as often as they may think proper to alter and change the stock & Securities constituting this trust estate and again to place the same out upon such other good and Sufficient security or Securities as they shall think proper, and it is my will and meaning that my said trustees or either of them shall not be liable to answer or make good any Losses or Losses that shall or may happen to the aforesaid trust estate in placing out the trust monies according to the directions in this my will or in transacting any money affairs or otherwise relating to or concerning the execution of the trusts mentioned in this my Will unless the same shall either through their or either of their wilful neglect or default, happen nor shall either of them my said trustees be answerable or accountable for the acts, deeds receipts or disbursements of the other of them, but each of them shall be answerable only for his own separate acts deeds receipts or disbursements. And I do hereby direct that my said trustees shall and may pay and reimburse him her or themselves out of the aforesaid trust estate all reasonable and necessary costs charges and expences whatsoever that they or either of them shall or may bear pay be put unto or sustain in or about the execution of this my will or the trust hereby in them reposed. Item I also will and desire that my trustees aforesaid do as soon after my death as practicable rent a small house Situate on Charleston neck for the residence of the said Nelly and her children aforesaid, and that the said rent be paid by my trustees aforesaid out of the trust estate abovementioned and it is my further Will and desire that such of the Children of Nelly as may not have received Sufficient schooling at the time of my decease be placed at school for the purpose of being instructed in reading and that the expence attending such instruction be also paid by my trustees aforesaid out of the said trust estate. Item I will

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and desire that my trustees aforesaid pay out of the said trust estate the annual tax of Sally and should she at any period previous to the determination of the said trust estate be in want of pecuniary aid for her support I will and desire that my trustees aforesaid shall pay her out of the said trust estate such sum or sums of money as they in their discretion may think fit for her relief. Item I will ~~and~~ & desire that my Servant Bebe be kept with the two youngest children for the purpose of attending to and taking care of them, and I will and desire that my trustees aforesaid do immediately after my decease hire out my Servant Isaac to such person ~~as~~ he may choose provided the said person be considered by my trustees as solvent, and for the better securing of the wages of my said Servant Isaac it is my will & desire that my said trustees shall not at any time hire him for any period longer than one month and so on from month to month and on failure of payment of his wages for any single month to be immediately removed and that my trustees aforesaid do receive the same and appropriate them to the augmentation of the said trust estate, and it is my further will and desire that my trustees aforesaid shall hire my Servant Sam, as soon as he can be spared from Francis in the same manner and on the same conditions as I have prescribed above in relation to my Servant Isaac and that they receive his wages and make the same appropriation of them as I have already directed in the case of my Servant Isaac, and I do further will and desire that after the said youngest child shall have attained the age of twenty years that my trustees aforesaid shall continue to hire out my said Servants Isaac and Sam and that they make an equal distribution of the said wages among the aforesaid Children Viz: Sally Harriet, Martha and Francis and their issue, my intention being that

my trustees aforesaid that should the Laws of this state hereafter authorize the emancipation of slaves that they do emancipate and set free my said servant Thomas in as short a period after the passing of such an act of the Legislature as may be practicable. Item I will and desire that my trustees aforesaid do likewise hire my Servant Frank to such person or persons as he may choose in as short a period after my death as possible and that they continue to do so for and during the term of his natural Life and that my said trustees receive his wages and after deducting from them a sufficient sum for the payment of his taxes that they pay over the balance to my said Servant Frank for his maintenance and Support. In the event of my servants Isaac Sam Thomas and Frank or any of them neglecting or failing to choose an employer then it is my will and desire that my said trustees should make choice for such one neglecting. Item I do will and desire that my said servant Frank do receive immediately after my decease all my Wearing apparel, and I do hereby empower my said trustees that in case of the removal of one or more of my trustees herein appointed by death or disinclination to serve that my remaining trustees shall appoint such person or persons as they may deem fit to supply the vacancy occasioned by such death or disinclination to serve and I hereby grant the same powers to such person or persons so appointed as are herein granted to my trustees aforesaid. And Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my said trustees William Henry Inglesby, William Cattell Margaret J Prefsley and Catharine Anne Prefsley Executors and Executrixes of this my Last Will and testament and guardians of the said Children. In witness whereof I the said Stephen Oliver to this my Last Will and testament (contained in four pages) have on



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the Last page set my hand and Seal this twenty third day  
of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred  
and twenty Six

----- Stephen Oliver (LS)  
Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named  
Stephen Oliver as and for his Last Will and testament in  
the presence of us who at his request and in his presence  
have subscribed our names as witnesses thereunto

F.W. Brown --- Stephen Brown Nell --- Stephen C Brown

Proved before James D Mitchell Esquire O.C.T.D. June 23,  
1826. At same time Qualified William Henry Inglesby and  
William Cattell Executors.

J.D.M.

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