

WILL OF

JOHN COLEMAN

State of South Carolina)

Marion District)

In the name of God Amen Know all men by these presents that I John Coleman of the State and District aforesaid, being of Sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, do hereby make publish and declare this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills or codicils by me heretofore made, Inprimis I wish my Executors herein after named to have my body buried in a decent and christian like manner, Item It is my will also that my Executors hereafter named do sell and dispose of my two horses, a Gray mair & chesnut horse as well as all my crop of corn and cotton, except so much corn and provisions as will Support Caroline Mairs and her children for one year which provisions I leave to her to be set apart by my Executors, Item It is also my will that the Proceeds of said sales as well as the proceeds of debts and other personal Estate I may die possessed of Such as notes, accounts choses in action Rail Road Stock & so forth, be applied by my Executors to the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses and whatever deficiency may be left after the application of the personal Estate aforesaid my will and desire is that my Executors do sell a Sufficient portion of lands of which I may die seized and possessed to pay off and discharge Said, the portion of lands so to be sold as aforesaid for said purpose to be left to the discretion of my said Executors, Item I give and bequeath to Caroline Mairs one bed and furniture Item, It is also my will that the ballance of my household and Kitchen furniture together with my Plantation Tools, farming utensils, my rifle Gun or Blacksmith Tools, be sold by my Executors and the proceeds applied with that of my other personal Estate above named to the payment of my debts Item I give and bequeath to Edward Mairs son of Caroline Mairs, my horse Colt, betwixt one & two years old, Item all the lands which may be left after the Sale to be made by my Executors for the payment of debts of which I may die seized and possessed I wish to be disposed of as follows viz To my neice Susan Rogers wife of Bethel Rogers I give onehalf of said Lands, my neice, daughter of Moses Coleman to her and the heirs of her body forever, To Esther Coleman/ I give one fourth of said lands,-- and to Edward Mairs and Hannah Mairs children of Caroline Mairs I give the other one fourth part and if either of the last mentioned

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children should die without leaving issue him or her surviving then my will is that the survivor of said children should have the whole of said one fourth part of said lands hereby bequeathed to them, Item my will further is that the above lands above given to my nieces ^{the} & children aforesaid be divided if practicable so as to set apart to Susan Rogers one half thereof To Esther Coleman my niece one fourth & to Edward & Hannah Mairs one fourth without making a sale of the same, Item to my Nephew Sampson Coleman I give and bequeath one hundred dollars in lands to be taken from the lands above bequeathed, and if said lands cannot be set apart to the amount of one hundred dollars then my Executors are hereby authorized to sell enough of my lands to make up this legacy of one hundred dollars to said Sampson Coleman Lastly I hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint my friends Alexander C Carmichael and Arch^d Q M^dDuffie, Executors to this my last will and Testament, to carry out and Execute this my last will and Testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of October A D one thousand eight hundred and fifty three Signed, sealed, published)
and declared in the presence of us who have sub- } John Coleman (SEAL)
the same }
scribed/ in the presence of the Testator and }
of each other }

W S Harllee
Henry Fowge
Samuel Altman

We Alexander C Carmichael & A Q M^dDuffie do hereby decline acting as Executors of the within will Executed by John Coleman dated the 1st Oct. 1853

Witness our hands this 5th June 1854. -

A Q M^dDuffie (SEAL)
A C Carmichael (SEAL)

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Original Will Missing

Sworn to May 22, 1854

E. B. Wheeler, Ordinary

Roll No. 982