

WILL OF

JOHN SPEARMAN

The State of South Carolina

Newberry District

The ⁿ nuncupative will of John Spear-

man, late of the district and state aforesaid, deceased, made by him, verbally, on thursday the 23rd, of January 1845, in the time of his last sickness, in his own habitation in the district and state aforesaid in the presence and hearing of D^r. Robert E. Campbell Wyat A. Boulware, James Boulware and Edmund Spearman.

The said John Spearman had before the time of making his said will, on the same day, asked the said Wyat A. Boulware whether ~~it would do as well to say before the witnesses how he wanted his property disposed of as it would to have a will put in writing;~~ and said he would not have time to have his will written. Being told that it would do as well, he proceeded to make his will verbally in substance as follows, viz,

" Gentlemen all take notice. My desire is that my brother Thomas Spearman take all my property, into his possession and do the best he can with it as long as he shall live or until my youngest child comes of age. I do not want my negroes sold unless there should be a great change in the times.

As to the rest of my property I wish my brother Thomas to sell such portions as would go to ruin and such as may not be necessary for the children exercising his own discretion in the matter.

I wish my brother Thomas and his wife to take my children and school them and do the best they can with them. I want my wife's every day clothes to be taken out of the chest for my daughter Amanda. All my wife's fine clothes I wish to ~~be~~ sent to her sister Mrs. Lindsey or Mrs. Benson to be kept for my daughter and given to her as they may think she needs them.

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as is above set forth; and that the said testator called upon them to bear witness by saying "Gentlemen all take notice"; and that the said testator altho very feeble and low, understood what he was doing and was of sound mind memory and understanding

Sworn to before me

W A Boulware

this 27th Jan. 1845

R. E. Campbell

V. Wilson Ord. N D.

J. R. Boulware

Edmund Spearman

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H. K. Boyd Ordinary Newberry District.

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