

This is the last will and testament of Mr. David T. Hopkins of Richland District in the State of South Carolina as follows- First I direct that all my just debts be paid out of the proceeds of my crop now on hand, monies arising from my Stock in the Steam Boat James Boatwright and debts due to me, and it is my desire that the amount of monies left on hand after my debts are paid, or so much as may be necessary, be applied to the purchase of the Minerva Academy lands, whenever they are brought into market, the titles of said land to be taken in the name of my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins, as I intend it for her sole use and benefit. Secondly I direct that my property be kept together as heretofore, until the first of January eighteen hundred and thirty eight, and out of the proceeds of the crop of the ensuing year I desire my wife to receive five thousand dollars, the ballance to be equally divided between my wife and my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins-----

Thirdly- I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins the following negro Slaves- ~~Ramon~~ Gane, Stepney, Adam, Primus, Peter Goodwyn, David, Cythe blacksmith, Malachi, Billy, Iason Isham, Ellick, Simon, Cicero, Andrew, Romulus, Frank, Philip, Robert Isaac, Ailse, Judy, Jinny, Ford, Rachael, Mary, Matilda, Jinny Gane, Charlotte, Sophy, Eliza, Peggy Adams, Tainer, Elvina, Viney Hannah, Milly Tucker, Isabella, Lizzy, Harriet Rachel, Tener Venus, Judy, Epsy, and Puss, and their future increase, to dispose of as she may think proper.- I lend to my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins during her life, the following Slaves, a mulatto girl named Massy, and my Cook named Caty, and their increase, and after her death I give the x said negroes Massy and Caty, to my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, but in case ~~sur~~ one of my Sons shall die before he comes to the age of twenty one years or without leaving a lawful child or children, I give the said Massy and Caty, to my surviving Son, also their increase, and in case both of my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years or without

Mary and Caty and their increase to my Mother Amy Hopkins, and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams Sarah T. Adams Hopkins and Emma T. Hopkins, their heir or heirs forever.-----

I give to my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins the following tract of land, three hundred and nineteen (319) acres, situate on the East Side of Cabin Branch making the sum of said Branch the line being a part of a tract of land containing five hundred and sixty nine (569) acres, purchased by me from James Adams, also a tract of thirty five (35) acres called the Tucker tract near and partly in Minervaville- Also a tract of ten acres (10) Called the Neil tract in Minervaville- Also a lot of five acres in Minervaville purchased by me from the Estate of Robert Edmonds- also a tract in Minervaville purchased by me for thirty (30) acres from John Hollingshead - Also a tract of forty (40) acres adjoining the last mentioned tract purchased by me of Mr Hollingshead, and one other tract containing one hundred and fifty (150) acres

Situate on the West Side of Cabin Branch adjoining lands belonging to Jesse Goodwyn Est of W. M Myers deceased, Amy Hopkins and my own lands, purchased by me from Wm. Hollingshead, to be disposed of by her as she may think proper.-----

I lend to my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins during her life, My Sand Hill residence, together with my interest in two adjoining tracts of land one purchased from Stephen Hugg and the other from John Rowan, and after her death, I give my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, but in case one of my Sons shall die before he arrives at the age of twenty one years, or without leaving a lawful child or children, I give the said Sand Hill residence together with my interest in the said adjoining tracts of land to my surviving Son and in case both of my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years or without leaving a lawful child or children I give the said Sand Hill residence, together with my interest in the said adjoining tracts of land to my Mother Amy Hopkins and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams, Sarah T. Hopkins and Emma T

I give unto my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins, my Carriage, Baroque and a pair of bay carriage horses - also my household and Kitchen furniture of every discription - One third of my mules cattle hogs and sheep - and one third of my plantation utensils, to be disposed of by her as she may think proper.-----

I give unto my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins one third of my stock in the Stream Boat James Boatwright, to be disposed of by her as she may think proper.-----

Fourthly- I give unto my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins the following ²Slaves, namely, Toby, Old Harry, Dick, Old Jim, Smart, Peter Hopkins, Anthony, Henderson, Caesar, Jube, Harry, Gpodwyn, Mitchel Dennis, Old Edward, Robin Sumter, Old Joe, Roger, Little Edward. Paul. Sam, Burwell, Little Jim, Aaron, Washington, Peggy Hopkins, Lucy, Dinah, Rhody, Phebe Cinthia Violet, Esther Lavina, Amelia, Nelly, Caty. Little Nelly, Rebecca Flora, Polly, Susan, Prissy, Rose, Ailse, Keziah, Cruse, Minerva Sally, Isabel, Adeline, Grace, Mary, Mahala, Charity and their future increase, to be equally divided between them share and share alike, as they shall respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years., but in xx case one of my Sons shall die before he arrives at the age of twenty one years, or without leaving a lawful child or children I give all of the above named negroes with their future increase to my surviving Son, and in case both of my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years, or without leaving a lawful child or children, I give all the above named negroes and their future increase to my Mother Amy Hopkins and My three Sisters Mary G. Adams, Sarah T. Hopkins, and Emma T. Hopkins, to be equally divided between them, their heir or heris forever.-----

I give and bequeath to my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins to be equally divided between them as they shall respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years, the following tracts of land, namely, All of my interest in the River Swamy lnade,

formely belonging to my father John Hopkins deceased, -----

All of my Back Swamp lands composed of two Separate tracts, one purchased by my father John Hopkins deceased from James H. Chappell containing one hundred and twenty six (126) acres the other granted to John Hopkins for two hundred and fifty (250) acres both of said tracts of land were given to me by my father

John Hopkins deceased, -----

Also all of those four tracts of land Situate on Horsepen Branch the first containing three hundred and fifty five (355) acres, originally granted to Uriah Goodwyn and purchased by me from Joel Adams and his wife Mary G. Adams- the second containing three hundred (300) acres originally granted to which Uriah Goodwyn and given to me by my father ~~John~~ John Hopkins deceased, the third containing two hundred and seventy six (276) acres, originally granted to Uriah Goodwyn and given to me by my father deceased John Hopkins the fourth containing fifty acres (50) and granted to John Hopkins, and given to me by him-also two hundred and fifty (250) acres, Situate on the West Side of Gabbin Branch, making the run of said Branch the line, being a part of a tract of land containing five hundred and sixty nine (569) acres, purchased by me of James Adams, - Also my Saw Mill on Mill Creek and all my lands, thereunto adjoining given to me by my father John Hopkins deceased, but in case one of my Sons shall die Before he arrives at the age of twenty one years, or without leaving a lawful child or children all of the aforesaid tracts of land which I have devised unto my my two sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, I give ~~unto my Mother~~ unto my ~~surviving son~~ surviving son and in ~~case~~ case both of my sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years, or without leaving a lawful child or children, all of the aforesaid tracts of land which I have devised unto my two Sons ~~to~~ John Hopkins and James Hopkins, I give unto my Mother Amy Hopkins and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams, Sarah T. Hopkins

and Emma T. Hopkins to be equally divided between them their heirs or heirs forever.-----

I give to my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, two thirds of my interest or stock in the Stream Boat James Boatwright leaving it at the same ^{time} to the discretion of my Executors to sell the ~~an~~ said Stock or property, which stock or property I desire to be equally divided between my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, as they shall respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years, but in case one of them shall die before he arrives at the age of twenty one years or without leaving a lawful child or children I give the said stock or property to my surviving son, and in case both of them shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one or without leaving a lawful child or children, I give the said stock or property to my Mother Amy Hopkins and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams, Sarah T Hopkins and Emma T. Hopkins, to be equally divided between them their heirs or heirs forever.-----

I give to my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins the following property with the conditions hereunto annexed, I give unto my Son John Hopkins a negro boy named Joe, my bay mare by Crusader now in foal by Rowton, and the half of the remainder of my blooded stock of horses I give unto my Son James Hopkins my Sorrel Filly, two years old, by Paul ~~Eliff~~ Clifford, a negro boy named Charley and the remainder of my blooded stock of horses It is my will that if the boy Joe shall die before my Son John Hopkins shall come to the age of twenty one years, that my Executors purchase another boy of equal value or make up the same amount to him when he comes to the age of twenty one ----- It is my will also that if the boy Charles shall die before my Son James Hopkins shall arrive at the age of twenty one, that my Executors purchase for him another boy of equal value, --- or make up the same amount to him when he arrives at the age of twenty one. The conditions of the above gifts are such that if either of my Sons John Hopkins and or James Hopkins shall die

what I have given to the deceased, and in case both of my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years, or without leaving a lawful child or children I give the said negro boy Joe and Charles and all of my blooded Stock of horses to my Mother Amy Hopkins and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams. Sarah T. Hopkins and Emma T. Hopkins to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, their heir or heirs forever.

All the remainder of my horses and mules, cattle hogs, sheep, and plantation utensils I give to my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins, to be equally divided between them when they arrive at the age of twenty one years.

Fifthly - I will and direct that in case both of my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years or without leaving a lawful child or children that my Mother Amy Hopkins and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams, Sarah T. Hopkins and Emma T. Hopkins pay or cause to be paid to my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins five thousand dollars.

Sixthly - I will and direct that all the property both real and personal which my Executors may purchase for the benefit of my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall be equally divided between them when they shall arrive at the age of twenty one years but in case one of my Sons shall die before he arrives at the age of twenty one years or without leaving a lawful child or children, I give all of the said property both real and personal to my surviving Son, and in case both of my Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins shall die before they arrive at the age of twenty one years or without leaving a lawful child or children, I give all of the said property both real and personal to my Mother Amy Hopkins and my three Sisters Mary G. Adams Sarah T. Hopkins and Emma T. Hopkins, their heir or heirs forever.

I appoint James Hopkins Senior and

Executors and Executrix to Sell convey and buy any property either real or personal, they may think to the interest and benefit of my children .-----

Eightly- I will and direct that all that piece of ground on the two hundred and fifty (250) acres, Back Swamp tract of land now enclosed by a back wall, and known as a place of burial for my family and relations, be reserved for the same purpose forever,-----

and I injoin it on my Executors and Executrix, until my Sons shall come to the age of twenty one years, and then I enjoin it on them, to prevent any person from removing the said wall and to repair it whenever it shall need it.-----

Ninthly- All the rest and residue of my Estate both real and personal I give unto my two Sons John Hopkins and James Hopkins,

Tenthly- I will and direct that my Executor cause to be built for my beloved wife Francis M. Hopkins on any part of the land I have given her that she may point out a Set of negro houses such as those my negroes now live in, together with good barns, stables, gin house and Screw, the plank for all of which building to be sawed at my Saw mill on mill Creek free of cost.-----

Lastly I do revoke all former wills by me at any time heretofore made and do declare this only to be my last will and testament

In witness whereof I have to this my last will Set my hand and seal, this the Seventeenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six.-----

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Signed, sealed published and declared by the said

David T. Hopkins, the testator as and for his last will

and testament in the presence of us who) David T. Hopkins)

at his request in his presence and in the

presence of each other have hereunto

subscribed our names as witnesses---

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WILL OF

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DAVID T. HOPKINS.

SOUTH CAROLINA.) Personally appeared Jesse H. Goodwyn
RICHLAND DISTRICT.) and made oath that he saw David T. Hopkins
sign seal publish and pronounce and declare the within Instrument
of writing to be his last will and Testament that he was then of
sound and disposing mind and memory according to the best of
this Deponents knowledge and belief and that he with Stephen
H. Boykin and John Bell at the request of the Testator in his
presence and in the presence of each other witnessed the due
execution thereof.-----

Jesse H. Goodwyn.

Sworn to before me)

3rd January 1837)

James S. Guignard.

Ordinary

Wm Hopkins qualified 3 January 1837 Francis M. Hopkins
23 January 1837/.

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