

In the name of God Amen : I, Jesse Prescott, of Richland Dist. in the State of South Carolina, Planter, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, as follows: First of all, I give and recommend my Soul to God, and my body to the Earth, to be buried in a decent manner, at the discretion of my Executors; and, as touching such worldly estate as I may die possessed of, I give and dispose of the Same in the following manner: First, I lend unto my daughter, Sarah McLellan, the one third part of all the negroes, of which I may die possessed, for the support of herself, & her two children only, by her first husband, Viz; Jefferson and Grace Taylor, during her life, & for no other purpose whatever; and at her death I give the Same, with the increase thereof, to her two children only, Viz; Jefferson & Grace Taylor, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, at the discretion of my Executors, as they come of age or marry; and in case either should die before coming of age or marrying, the share of the one dieing, Shall go to the Survivor, to be possessed & enjoyed by them and their heirs forever. --

Secondly, I give unto my Grand Children, William Bush, Sarah Bush, and Green Bush, (the children of my deceased Daughter, Martha Bush) a negro boy or man, named Alfred, who is now in the possession of Green B. Bush (their father), and the one third part of all the negroes which I may die possessed of, with the increase thereof, to be equally divided among them, share and share alike. as they become of age or marry; and if one or more of them should die before coming of age or marrying, the share or shares of the one or more so dying, to go to the Surviving child or children of my deceased daughter Martha, to be freely possessed and enjoyed by them and their heirs forever --

Thirdly, I lend unto my Grand daughters Sarah Casson & Georgiana Wilson, & my Great-Grand daughter, Virginia Rabbit (the daughter of Eugenia Rabbit) the one third part of all the negroes which I may die possessed of, for the support of themselves & their children (should they have any) and for no other purpose whatever, to be possessed and enjoyed by them, ~~share and share alike~~; and at ~~the~~ death I give the same negroes, with the increase thereof to their children respectively; that is to say, ^{the} part loaned to Sarah Casson, to her children; the part loaned to Georgiana Wilson to her children; & the part loaned to Virginia Rabbit to her children -- but should either, Sarah Casson or Georgiana Wilson, or Virginia Rabbit, die without child or children, then the Survivor or Survivors, as the case may be, to inherit the part of the deceased; Provided, however, that my Executors have the discretionary power to give or withhold the part of my Estate intended for Georgiana Wilson, according as her conduct may be consistent with virtue or otherwise; & should my Executors, (in the exercise of discretion with which they are herein vested as ~~the~~ the withholding or giving of said Georgiana's part to her,) determine, that she ought not to have it, then, & in that case, it shall be given to Sarah Casson and Virginia Rabbit, as they become of age or marry to be possessed and enjoyed by them ~~share and share alike~~, forever --

Fourthly, I give unto my Grand Daughters, Adela Wilson and Eliza Wilson, one dollar, each, and no more --

Fifthly, I give unto my beloved wife, Sarah Prescott, the Sum of two hundred dollars per annum, as long as she lives to be paid to her by my Executors, as she may want it, out of funds to be raised as hereinafter directed, which said two hundred dollars is to be considered in lieu & bar of Dower --

Sixthly, I give unto my son-in-law, Wm. G. Tidwell, one hun-

inafter directed.

Seventhly, I give unto the Widow, of my deceased Son, Patrick, one dollar --

Seventhly, It is my will & desire that my Funeral expenses and any other debts which I may owe be paid out of the ready money that I may have by me, or out of the money which may be due me, and ~~the~~ the Balance of said money be equally divided between my Grand Children, William Bush Sarah Bush, Jefferson Taylor, Green Bush, Grace Taylor, Sarah Casson and Georgiana Wilson, to be paid over to them, by my Executors, as they become of age or marry; and the part or parts of those not of age or married to be loaned out at interest, until they come of age or marry --

Lastly, It is my Will & desire, that as soon as the Situation of my crop will admit of it, that my Executors expose to public sale, all my lands, together with my stock of mules & horses, cattle & hogs, wagon, plantation tools of every description, household & Kitchen furniture and every other article I may die possessed of, not herein before disposed of, on such conditions as they may think best, and out of the proceeds thereof pay to Wm Tidwell the one hundred dollars above mentioned, and out of the remainder to pay to my wife, Sarah Prescott, the two hundred dollars annually, as above directed; & if at her decease, any of the funds proceeding from the sale above directed to be made, should be left, then it shall be equally divided among all my Grand Children (except Adela & Eliza Wilson who are to be excluded from the division), their respective shares to be paid over as they come of age or marry, and the shares of those not of age or married out at Int. until they are of age or married -- and should the remainder of the funds, above mentioned; arising from the Sale of my lands, Stock of mules, horses, cattle Etc as above mentioned, be exhausted before the death of my wife, Sarah Prescott, by paying to her Annually, two hundred dol-

lars, then it is my will & desire, that my Child & Grand children, or Grand children, as the case may be, raise the funds necessary, by each paying a Sum of money proportioned to the legacy which they recieve from my Estate - & it is my will & desire that my Executors compel them to raise such fund out of the property given to them (if necessary) in the proportion above mentioned. And I do hereby Constitute my friend James Hopkins, & my Grandson William Bush, Executors of this my last will & Testament, revoking & declaring void all former wills by me made, ratifying and confirming this and none other, to be my last will & Testament -

S. Carolina) Personally appeared before me Frederick
Richland Dist) Lykes & makes oath that some time in the
month of July or August 1840 this deponent at the request of
Jesse Prescott of the Dist. & State aforesaid did write the
last will & testament of the said Prescott as this deponent
believes & that this deponent with Y. B. Bush & Joseph E.
Reese did witness the execution of said will by the said
Prescott; That this deponent has reason to believe that said
will has beend destroyed or lost about the time of the death
of said testator, who has recently dyed: And this deponent
is satisfied that the paper hereunto annexed is a true copy
of said will signed by the said Prescott; The said copy being
made by this deponent at the writing of the original:

Sworn to before me

Fred'k Lykes Jun'r.

21 June 1841

James S Guignard, Ordinary

S Carolina) Personally appeared before me Joseph E.
Richland Dist.) Reese & Y.B. Bush & make oath that they did
with Frederick Lykes witness what they understood from Jesse
Prescott the testator above mentioned to be the last will &
testament of said Prescott:

Joseph E. Reese

Recorded in Will Book "L" P. 23 Y.B. Bush