

In the name of God Amen, I John Bryce of the Town of Columbia District of Richland and State aforesaid being duly impressed with the uncertainty of human life and at this time in the full enjoyment of usual bodily health and sound disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. that is to say

First. I direct that my debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my Estate as soon after my death as convenient and practicable Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Sister Mary Young, the half yearly dividends on one hundred shares of Stock of the Commercial Bank to be paid to her during the term of her natural life, and all right to and interest in the same to cease and terminate at her death, should the Bank cease to exist or should my Executors deem it best to dispose of my Stocks in Said Bank which they are hereby invested with full power and authority to do, then and in that case they shall pay to her or invest such an amount as will pay her half yearly one hundred dollars, that is two hundred per annua to be paid to her Sole use and behoof regularly and without fail.

Item- To my beloved Sister Jane Bryce I give and bequeath, in addition to the hire of the Negro Woman Rhoda which I long since gave her- the half yearly dividends on two hundred shares in the Commercial Bank to be paid to her and for her Sole and separte use and behoof during the term of her natural life and no longer and should the charter of said Bank fail to be renewed or My Executors see proper to sell out my Stock then the Sum of two hundred dollars Semi-annually shall be paid to her that is four hundred for the year and I recommend that an investment be made to secure this and and this amount of interest- which shall be regularly and without fail paid to her and for her use and benefit.

County, State of Georgia I give and bequeath, one hundred Shares in the Capital Stock of the Bank of Hamburg, this I have virtually given him years ago and he has been in the regular receipt of the half yearly dividends through me but the Stock Still stands in my name. My Executors will immediately on my decease order a transfer of said hundred Shares to him and he shall continue to receive said dividends regularly as heretofore. Also the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars to be paid to him or his Heirs, in the following instruments, the sum of one thousand one year after my decease, one thousand two years after my decease and fifteen hundred more, three years thereafter, that is the whole sum of three thousand five hundred dollars shall be paid to him or his legal representatives within the three years, Interest shall accrue on each respective payment after maturity, this with fifteen hundred already received by him to purchase negroes will make ten thousand which I have always intended for him and his family.

Item- To my Niece Mary Campbell Bryce the daughter of my deceased Brother Peter Bryce, I give and bequeath or rather I give to my Son Campbell R. Bryce in Trust for her the sum of five hundred dollars, to her sole separate use and behoof to be invested in some good Stocks or Bond with the interest payable semiannually, and to be so invested one year after my decease, free from all control of Husband.

Item- To her Sister Ellen, at present a minor or I should say to my Son C. R. Bryce in Trust for her, a like sum to be invested in like manner, and for like purpose, Viz her sole and separate use, and behoof, free from all control of Husband or others, this is not chargeable on my Estate until she attains the age twenty one years or marries in which event should she die before attaining that age or before

Item- To my Brother Robert Bryce in Trust for his daughter Harriet I give and bequeath to and for her sole and separate use and behoof free from any other direction and control than his the sum of five hundred dollars to be paid to him by my Executors one year after her Marriage, should she die before Marriage this gift to be null and void, I also give the same sum to him for his daughter Caroline, under the same trust and conditions and on the same tenor, should my Nieces above named however live unmarried, until the age of twenty one years this gift and bequest is theirs or rather their Fathers in trust for them and their lawful heirs

Item- To my Brother Robert Bryce in trust for my Niece Janet Barclay the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Barclay and for her sole and separate use and behoof free from all right or control of her husband or any one else the sum of five hundred dollars payable one year after my decease and to her children the heirs of her body should she leave any, should she die childless this sum which is to be invested and of which I only intend that she shall receive the interest yearly or half yearly as may be -shall revert to my Son and to his heirs and assigns. Item, I have put into my name as Trustee for John Bryce Flemming on the Stock list of the Bank of Camden eight shares and from the dividends and interest thereon I have recently purchased ten more making eighteen shares in all which Stock with its dividends and profits of whatever kind shall be his and paid to him when he attains lawful age but should he die before that then I wish them to go to his Brother Elijah and Sister Ann or to the survivor of them share and share alike.

Item- I have also standing in my name as trustee for J. B. Pillsbury in the Books of said Bank of Camden two shares, and from the dividends and int. thereon I have recently added three more making five in all which stock with the dividends and interest accruing thereon shall be paid over to him

same then it is my wish that his brother William Kennedy
Pilsbury receive the same.

Item- There is also standing on the Books of said Bank in my name as Trustee for Campbell Bryce Frost, one share which together with the dividends and the interest thereon shall be paid to him on his attaining lawful age should he die let the whole and whatever it may be, be paid over to his Father J. D. Frost.

Item- To my dearly beloved Wife should she survive me I give and bequeath for and during the term of her natural life, The House, Lot, and furniture in said House and on said Lot, which we at present possess and have for more than twenty five happy years resided in with my Carriage and Horses, cattle ~~and~~ etc. and on said premises also my Cook woman Elay and all her children and their children saving and excepting the Fellow Henry whom I long since gave to my Son, also my woman Grace and Fellow Robert, with one hundred shares standing in her name on the Books of the Commercial Bank together with one half of the Rents, Hire, dividends or interest of the rest and residue of my Estate real and personal to her own use and beho~~of~~ the whole reverting at her death to my Son and to his children.

Item- To my Son Campbell R. Bryce (with the above requirements and reservations) and to his children the lawful heirs of his Body, I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my Estate real and personal of whatever kind I may die seized and possessed of or that may at any time hereafter either before or after my death become mine, to him and to his children forever. And I wish it fully understood and declared, that having already given him about Sixty thousand dollars at various times and he being worth a property of his own at this present of fully that amount clear of debt, that in the event of his dying leaving a wife his widow shall not be entitled to any part or portion of my Estate which I am now disposing of but

JOHN BRYCE.

that it shall be the property of all his children share and share alike to be enjoyed and managed and controled by him during his lifetime for his and their use and benefit and this is not intended to apply to the present only who is a most excellent lady and faithful and loving wife and mother but also to any future wife and further more I intend and desire that in the event of his outliving his children, and dying childless without grand children the lawful issue of his loins then the Estate which I now leave shall go to the children of my Brother Peter and Robert Bryce and their children .

Item- Lastly. I do hereby appoint nominate and constitute my beloved Son Campbell Robert Bryce in whose principles and honor I have the highest confidence, sole Executor of this my last will and testament and I hereby clothe and endow him with full power and authority to take all my Estate real and personal wherever it may be and of whatever it may consist into his possession, and to pay off my debts at an early day as he conveniently may, to discharge and pay off as I have herein rehearsed all the bequests and legacies and he in the performance and discharge of this trust and duty is at full liberty to sell and dispose of any portion of my Estate excepting such portions as I have disposed of by this instrument without application to any courts of law or making return or account to any ordinary Chancellor or Commissioner, all I require is that this instrument may be placed on record that all who have any rights under it may know what they are, I have no fear that my Son will fail in carrying out my intentions. In the event of his early death I appoint my Brother Robert Ex. in his stead with the same powers reposing in him the same confidence.

JOHN BRYCE.

In witness whereof I the said John Bryce do hereby and hereto subscribe my name and set my seal at Columbia aforesaid this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred fifty one hereby revoking all previous wills made by me declaring this to be my last will and testament.

John Bryce.

Signed sealed published and declared in and by the said John Bryce as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence and at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Andrew Wallace

H. E. Scott

J. A. Crawford.

South Carolina) Personally appeared John A. Crawford
Richland District) and made oath that he saw John Bryce
sign seal publish pronounce and declare the above 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 ~~their~~ this Deponents knowledge and belief, and
that he with Andrew Wallace and H. E. Scott at the request
of the Testator in his presence and in the presence of each
other witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to before me this 5 day of December 1855-----

James S. Guignard.

Ordinary.

J. A. Crawford.

JOHN BRYCE.

(CODICIL)

So. Ca. Columbia July 28th 1853.

Codicil to the last Will and Testament of Jo Brice I have this day opened and reviewed my last will and testament made and executed by me on the 7th day of May 1853 and witnessed by Andrew Wallace , H. E. Scott and John A. Crawford, and I hereby make and ordain the following alterations and amendments-Viz -

On the 1st day of April last I paid to James Edw. Bryce of Fort Valley Houston County Georgia by remission to him in a check on the Bank of Charleston one thousand dollars being the 1st. instalment on the \$3,500 devised to be paid to him by my will aforesaid deeming it perhaps best for him and all interested that if my life be spared I should be in some sort my own Executor that bequest is therefore now reduced to two thousand five hundred dollars. One thousand to be paid to him one year after my decease and the balance say one thousand five hundred two years from that time-should he die before me this sum together with the one hundred shares Bank of Hamburg Stock devised to him shall be paid over ^{rs} by my Ex. to his wife should she survive, for the mutual benefit and use and behoof of herself and her children by him the said James E. Bryce or should she be dead to his children share and share alike- I have also paid and set aside and now hold in my hands as her Trustee the sum of \$500 Five hundred dollars (at present in the shape of a Bond of the So-Ca Rail Road) to my Niece Harriet the daughter of Robert Bryce now Mrs. Herbert, in full payment of the Legacy devised to her in my said Will being in this instance also my own Executor bearing int from April 1 last-

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(Codicil)

devised by me in my will to my beloved wife together with any increase of children she or any other of them may have subject to the conditions of said will.

The Plantation and Will in Lexington District near what was formerly West Granby formerly the property of James Cayce but sold by Isaac Vassant sheriff of Lexington District at the suit of A. S. Sumner and B. R. Carrol on the first Monday 4th of October 1847 and bought in by me having also an execution against Cayce for a debt of \$ 1900 which I had to pay as his endorser to the two Banks in Columbia and for which I have paid first and last its full value for I had to take up a note of \$770- to P and R Bryce besides, - this Plantation I give, devise, and bequeath to my Grand-Son John Campbell Bryce and to his heirs and should he die without Issue then to go to his Father and to his children precisely as the rest of my Estate, Nevertheless it is my wish and desire that Mrs Cayce be permitted to occupy the House and premises as she has hitherto done since the death of W. Cayce and to plant if she desires to do so one third of the cleared Land and to receive one fourth of the Toll of all corn ground at the Mill, as long as she determines to prefer this to a fair equivalent in money for her dower. I know my Son will at all times be willing to make a fair and liberal arrangement with her and this is my desire and wish.

And this codicil to my last Will I do hereby declare to be my own act done with my own hand confirming all done in said will with these corrections and additions. In Witness where of I have hereunto subscribed my hand and set my Seal at Columbia State of So Carolina this 28th of July in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty three.

John Bryce.

Signed sealed published and declared by John Bryce as his codicil to his last will and testament in the presence of us, who in his presence and at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses to the due execution of the same)

J. A. Crawford

Edwin J. Scott

Jno. S. Scott.

(To be recorded after the Codicil)

The reference in the Codicil of John Bryce (executed on the 28th of July 1853) to his will as having been made on the seventh day of May 1853 and witnessed by Andrew Wallace, H. E. Scott, and Jno. A. Crawford is evidently a mistake it should have been 1851- as we have no recollection of having witnessed the execution of any other will of the said John Bryce than that of the seventh of May 1851.

Columbia Dec. 4th 1855

J. A. Crawford

H. E. Scott

Andrew Wallace.

State of South Carolina)
Richland District)

Personally appeared John A.

Crawford and made oath that he

saw John Bryce sign seal publish pronounce and declare the foregoing Instrument Of writing to be a Codicil to his last Will and Testament - that he was then of sound and disposing mind according to the best of his Deponents knowledge and belief and that Edwin J. Scott and John S. Scott at the request of the Testators in his presence and in the presence of each other witnessed the due execution thereof)

J. A. Crawford

Sworn to before me, this 5 day of

December 1855- James S. Guignard- Ordinary.

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