

WILL OF

WILLIAM POTTS SEN^R

In The Name of God Amen. I, William Potts Sen^R, Planter and Ordinary of Sumter district in the State of South Carolina Now in perfect health in body and of sound and disposing Mind and understanding: do Make and ordain this My last Will and Testament in Manner and form following.-----

First-----I wish all My Just debts be paid as hereafter directed--

Secondly--I give and bequeath unto My beloved Wife Jane Potts to be at her disposal all the Cattle and hogs which May be found in this Mark; (three Splits in one year and Smooth Crop in the other, all the Poultry of every kind, one bay Mare Named Dolly, one bed Matrass, bedstead and furniture one sett of ^{Silver} ~~seven~~ Tah. Spoons Marked BIFIM to her & her Heirs forever.-----

Thirdly----It is My wish and desire that My Negroes be Kept and worked on My plantation and that Wife shall live on my plantation and shall be decently supported out of my estate with Necessaries the same as When I was living and she to do with my Negroes as when I was alive, to take care of my old Negroes the same as she hitherto done Also that there shall be at least two Acres of wheat planted every year for her benefit the same as when I was alive or be supplied with flour: Also that she be Allowed a sufficiency to buy her Cloathing Such as she stand in Need off Also the Use of My Riding Chair and Harne^s and should they become so that she ~~may~~ ^{can} Make use of them then to be furnished with another. ~~then~~ It is my wish that there shall be ten Milck Cows and Calves Kept, Mare Ginney Diver, four ^{hogs} ~~solds~~ and pigs for the Use of My wife and plantation, that my wife be furnished from my Stock every year fifteen hundred weight of Pork and two beefes for her use and plantation. one hundred weight of Coffee one hundred weight of Brown sugar one pound of Tea and two sacks of satt: And should there be any more

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Fourthly----My wish and desire is that My Negroes be kept and worked on the plantation, whereon I now live none to be Moved away during the Natural life or Marriage of My Wife Jane Potts for her benefit and support. And After My Wife and plantation are Supplied with provisions and other Necessaries Mentioned above for their Use, the balance Arising from the work of My Negroes with the sale of the balance of My stock of Hogs Cattle Horses and sheep, every Article of a perishable kind which can be spared from My Household & Kitchen furniture (My Wife to keep such as she may thing proper of my House hold and Kitchen furniture as she may stand in need of I leave that to her therefore will not Mention any article) all of my plantation tools that can be conveniently spared from the Use of my plantation; Waggon, Dearborn And every Article as there are a great Many that are not of Use Now on the plantation; all my Obligations, Notes and Accounts which are owing to me to be Applied to the payment of my Just debts and should they not be Suffieient the ballance to be paid from the work of my Negroes.-----

Fifthly---It is my wish and desire that After all my Just debts are paid, that my Executors pay over to my Son John W. Potts the sum of three hundred dollars in place of Sylira and to pay over to my son Edgar N Potts the sum of three Hundred dollars in place of Monday without Interest this to be done as soon After the debts are paid as can be conveniently.-----

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Seventhly---After the death or Marriage of My beloved wife Jane then share and share alike My Grand Children of Potts then My Children May divide the property among my deceased daughter Martha N. Howard to draw their Mothers part the same as if she had been living or Any other of my Grand Children should their parent be dead at that time

Eighthly---It is My Wish and desire that should My Wife Jane Potts

find that she cant Manage the Negroes and is desirous to Move Near
or Among My Children as she has expresse the like to me. My Execu
tors are Authorized to dispose of my plantation on which I now ~~live~~
live and purchase a Small tract of Land Near where they live for
her to live on so as they can attend and see the Negroes discharge
their duty to her. And It is further My wish to enjoin it on my
Executors that Notwithstanding My wife should again If she stand
in Need of Any Necefsaries of life that they supply ^{her} with it and I
also enjoin it on my Wife that should she stand in need of any the
Necefsaries of life to be sure to Apply to my Children It is my
wish that let her situation be what it May Married or not that she
dont ~~what~~ want that which is needfull for her.-----Again I
say unto My Executors not to purchase anything on a Credit for My
Estate.

Lastly I Nominate constitute and Appoint My Sons Samuel T. Potts,
William Potts, John J Potts and Edgar N. Potts My Executors to
this my last Willand testament

In Witnefs whereof I have hereunto set My hand and seal this
thirtieth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and thirty four And in the Fifty Ninth year of Ameri
can Independence.

Signed Sealed and delivered, Acknowledged,
and declared to be the last Will and Tes- (SEAL)
tament of the said William Potts Senr in , William Potts Senr
presence of us who have subscribed our ,
names as Witnefses thereto by the request ,
of said William Potts Senr. ;

E. M. Gordon

I. G. Fort

Martha P Gordon

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