

to him R. W. Lee (my nephew) + his heirs.
 Eighth: It is my will and desire that at the death of my wife Elizabeth Jane Lee, all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate with effects, whatever and whereever, and of what nature and kind color and not heretofore disposed of shall be divided equally between my wife's neice, Eliza Harris (nee Davis) and my lawful heirs (except R. W. Lee & his heirs) for their own separate use, forever.

Ninth: It is my will and desire that the legacies which my neice Mary Lee is to have at the death of my wife Elizabeth Jane Lee, it is my will and desire that my said neice Mary Lee shall receive an equal share with Eliza Harris (nee Davis) and my lawful heirs of the remainder of my estate not heretofore disposed of.

Tenth: And it is my will that my wife Elizabeth Jane Lee shall and may sell any, real estate property, except such as is herebefore disposed of for her own use and benefit, whenever she deems it advisable and necessary, and as she thinks proper so to do.

In witness whereof I the said John D. Lee have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8 September A.D. 1896.

John D. Lee (seal)

James S. Hall and declined by the said John D. Lee at his last will and testament in my presence, who at his request have signed our names as witnesses thereto in his presence and in the presence of each other. Henry Wade, Ch. D. & Ex. off. & C.

Filed for record Sept 14, 1896. S. J. Wood, Judge of Probate.

The State of Alabama
 Harney County
 I, Edward A. Taylor of said County, and State do make this my last will and testament. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid as early as practicable. I do hereby give, bequeath and devise unto my beloved wife Mary Sophia Taylor for and during natural life all my estate real and personal after the payment of my debts to be managed and controlled by her at her discretion, for the support of herself, without being liable to account to any person on or to any court for her management thereof and with power to sell any portion of my estate real or personal and to buy other property, according to her judgment; and at her death one half of my estate to be equally divided between her brothers Lewis Charles Epps, Burton R. Epps and John Epps and the other half of my estate to be divided equally between my nephews James Taylor Jones, Richard Augustus Jones, Richard Jones and James W. Taylor. I do hereby appoint my wife Mary S. Taylor Executrix, except her from giving bond as such and do release and discharge her from making any return annual or otherwise of any apprehension or inheritance, or any

settlement or location of my said estate with any person or persons. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of June 1890.

E. A. Taylor (Seal)

Witness: E. C. Mason - R. M. Gaulton

The State of Alabama, J. C. S. Shaffer a Notary Public in and for Harney County, said County & State, hereby certify that E. C. Mason, a subscribing witness to the foregoing and within foregoing or written instrument, who is known to me, appeared before me this day and being sworn stated that E. A. Taylor, the grantor in the foregoing, voluntarily executed the same in his presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witnesses, on the day, the same bears date, that he attested the same in the presence of the grantor and of the other subscribing witnesses and that such other witnesses subscribed his name as a witness in his presence. Given under my hand, this 29th day of April A.D. 1896.

Wm. Shaffer, Notary

Filed for record Oct 12, 1896. S. J. Wood, Judge of Probate

Last Will and Testament of E. Newhouse.

In Probate Court, The State of Alabama Harney County, To the Hon. J. J. Wood, Judge of said Court.

Your petitioner, Sophie Newhouse, deposes and swears unto you, your Honor, that she late Edward Newhouse, who was an inhabitant of this County at the time of his death, departed this life on the 15th day of August 1896, leaving a last will and Testament, in, signed and published by him and attested by Ernest S. Heie and Chas. H. Guntrock residents of New York City, County and State of New York, in which will your petitioner is named as executrix, which said will is here with produced to your Honor, and proposed for probate and read in this Court.

Your petitioner further states, that the following is my name and address, and the following are the names, age, sex and residence of next of kin. Sophie Newhouse, Senopoli, Harney County, Alabama; Herbert S. Newhouse, thirteen years old, male, Senopoli, Harney County, Alabama; Julia A. Newhouse, seventeen years old, female, Senopoli, Harney County, Alabama; Lawrence Newhouse, fifteen years old, female, Senopoli, Harney County, Alabama; Merion Senopoli, Harney County, Alabama; seven years old, female, Senopoli, Harney County, Alabama. Wherefore your petitioner prays, that a day be set for hearing this petition, that are not less than

Will

E. A. Taylor

as required by law, be given to me the executor
of the late Emma Newhouse, and the next of kin
of said deceased. And that such other proceeding orders
and decrees, may be had and made in the premises
as may be requisite and proper to effect the amputation
and winding up of said late deceased's estate.
Sworn to and subscribed before Sophie Newhouse
me, this the 18th day of Aug 1896
J. B. Meriwether, Notary Public, Macon County.

Reos

The State of Alabama, Probate Court of said County
Macon County. The matter of the probate of the
last will and testament of Emma Newhouse deceased.
Before me Samuel H. Hooff Judge of Probate, personally
appeared Julius L. Marx and J. S. Collins Jr, who having
been by me first separately and each sworn each before
and say as follows, under oath, that they were acquainted
with Emma Newhouse deceased whose last will and testa-
ment is now pending for probate in said Court, and
that he, the said Newhouse, at the time of his death
was an inhabitant of the City of Decatur, Macon
County, Alabama. They further affirm and say that the
subscribing witnesses to the document which purports
to be the last will and testament of said Newhouse
and which is now submitted, are now residents of
the State of Alabama. And that the said Newhouse
at the time of making his said will & from thence
was of sound mind and disposing memory, and, in
the opinion of deponents, fully capable of making
his last will and testament, and at the time the
same was made, the testator was on the day of
the date thereof of said will of the full age of
twenty one years and upwards.
Subscribed & sworn to before Julius L. Marx
me this 21st day of September J. S. Collins Jr
1896. S. H. Hooff Judge of Probate Macon County
Ala.

State of Alabama, Before me J. B. Meriwether, a Notary
Macon County, Public in and for said State & County
personally appeared J. L. Marx and Jake Marx, residents
of Decatur, Ala. who on being shown the document
which purports to be the last will and testament of
Emma Newhouse deceased the probate of which is now pend-
ing in the probate Court of said County, both before
me and each, after having been each sworn by me to
tell the truth, as follows: That Emma L. Marx and
H. Amos both whose names appear as subscribing
witnesses to said will are now residents of the State
of Alabama and that they are now residing at

with me to the effect the Probate thereof.
And each subscribed to before me
this 27th day of August 1896.
J. L. Marx
Jake Marx

J. B. Meriwether, Notary, Public.
State of Alabama, Before me J. B. Meriwether, a Notary
Macon County, Public in and for said State and County
personally appeared Jake Marx and E. H. Weiss, residents of
Decatur, Ala. who being first each sworn to affirm the truth
in being shown the document which purports to be the last
will and testament of Emma Newhouse, deceased which said
will is now pending for probate in the probate Court of said
County, both before and say as follows: That they are famil-
iar with and know the signature of Emma Newhouse deceased
and that the signature which appears to the document now
shown them and which purports to be the last will and
testament of the said Emma Newhouse, deceased is the real and
genuine signature. They further affirm and say that they are
familiar with and know the signature of Emma L. Marx and
that the signature which appears as his to said will is his
real and genuine signature. Jake Marx - E. H. Weiss
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 27th day of August
1896.
J. B. Meriwether, Notary Public.

State of Alabama, Before me J. B. Meriwether, a Notary Public
Macon County, Public in and for said State and County, personally
appeared Julius Marx a resident of Decatur, Ala. who being
first each sworn to affirm the truth, in being shown the document
which purports to be the last will and testament of Emma New-
house deceased which said will is now pending for probate
in the probate Court of said County both before and say, as
follows. That he is familiar with and knows the signature
of Chas. H. Amos both and that the signature which appears
signed in the capacity of a witness to the document now shown
him and which purports to be the last will and testament
of Emma Newhouse, deceased is the real and genuine signature
of the said Chas. H. Amos both. Julius L. Marx
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of
August 1896. J. B. Meriwether, Notary Public.

Will

Known all men by these presents that I Emma New-
house, of Decatur, Macon County, Alabama, being
in full possession of my faculties, do hereby make this
my last will and testament. I bequeath to my
beloved wife Sophie Newhouse, my entire estate
consisting of, lands, merchandise, money, accounts, and
things, I do hereby bequeath, both real and personal,
also my life. I have no children, of which
I may be possessed, at the time of my death
and I further desire that my beloved wife
Sophie Newhouse, be made sole executrix of

My Estate without bond. Given under my hand and
Seal in the City of New York this 8th day of August
1893. *John A. Newhouse* {23
Witness Come I went, Chas. H. Arnold.

The State of Alabama, I H. H. self Judge of the Court of
Madison County, Probate in and for said County and
State do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing
has this day, in said Court, and before me, as the Judge
thereof, been duly proven, by the proper testimony to be the
last will and Testament of Emma Newhouse deceased, and
that said will, together with said proof thereof have
been recorded in my office in Book of Will Space
361, Ed. pag. Given under my hand and Seal of Office
this 21st day of September A. D. 1896

H. H. self
Judge of Probate

Last Will and Testament of Milton P. Pryor
The State of Alabama, Probate Court.

Madison County. To the Honorable H. H. self Judge
of said Court. Your petitioner Carrie S. Pryor respectfully
represents unto your Honor, that the late Milton P. Pryor
who was an inhabitant of this County at the time of his death
deceased this life in the 18th day of May 1894 leaving a last
will and Testament, duly signed & published by him, and attes-
ted by J. A. Hall, Geo. A. Knox, and James Williams residents
of Semperis said County in which your petitioner is named as
executors, which said will is herewith produced to your
Honor & for opinion for probate & record in this Court.

Your petitioner further states that she is the widow of said
testator and that she resides in the City of Fort Wayne Indiana
and that under the terms of said will, she is exempted from
giving bond and taking out letters testamentary thereon; that the
Wish of him as testator: P. Pryor age four years, Haze
J. Pryor age nine years, Carrie S. Pryor age eleven
years, Milton S. Pryor age thirteen years, and Bertha L.
Pryor age thirteen years, all of whom are the children
of said testator and who reside in the City of Fort Wayne
Indiana, took your petitioner, that said Bertha L. is a half
sister to the other children by a former wife deceased. Of
said testator. Therefore your petitioner prays that a day be
set for hearing this petition that she may make herself as
represented by her be given to the widow and next of
kin of said deceased and that such other proceedings
as may be requisite & proper to effect the same probate
and record of said will according to law.

Carrie S. Pryor
by Charles H. Arnold

Proof

The State of Alabama, Madison County, Charles H. self
Probate Court, Given under my hand and Seal of Office
in the City of New York this 8th day of August 1894.
In the Matter of the Probate of the last will and Testament of
Milton P. Pryor deceased.

Before me, H. H. self Judge of said Court, first in all
appeared in open Court James Williams, who having been
by me duly sworn, on his oath says and deposes, that at
the Court named before me, Milton P. Pryor as at the
time of executing the foregoing will and Testament was
of full age to devise real Estate and personal and mixed
property and of sound mind memory and without any
undue influence or restraint that said will was
duly executed by said testator and by him declared
to be his last will and Testament in his presence, and
that he saw the said testator affix his signature to his
said last will and Testament, and that he signed the
said will as said witness thereto at the request of the
said testator in his presence, and in the presence of J. A.
Hall and Geo. A. Knox, the other subscribing witnesses
and that they each signed their names as such sub-
scribing witnesses in the presence of said testator and
in the presence of myself and in the presence of
each other, that the said testator and said sub-
scribing witnesses to said last will and Testament signed
the same as aforesaid on the day the same bears date
and that at the time of the date as aforesaid said
testator was a resident of said County, of the full age
of twenty one years and upward.
Given to and subscribed before James Williams
We as witness my hand and Seal of said Court this 9th
day of July 1894. H. H. self Judge of Probate M. S.

Will

I Milton P. Pryor, a resident Citizen of the City of Birmingham
State of Alabama, do make this my last will and Testament
as follows.

First. I give and bequeath to each of my Children Milton S.
Dana S. Haze J. and P. Pryor the sum of One hundred
and a hundred each per year, from the time of my death
until each of my said Children attains the age of Eighteen
years, to be applied by my Executors, herein after named
to the education and support of my said sons, and my
said daughter Haze J. respectively, till each arrives
at the age of Eighteen years.

Second. To my beloved wife Carrie S. Pryor I give
all of my household and goods, including house hold and
kitchen furniture.

Third. All of my other property, real, personal and mixed
of which I have any interest and possession I devise
and bequeath as follows namely: One thousand

to my said beloved wife and one fifth of the sum of money
 shall be each of my said children namely Bertha
 L. Milton S. David S. Roger S. and P. Ben Pugaere
 providing that the share of my said daughter Bertha L.
 of my property as aforesaid, shall be paid to her
 in cash as soon as possible after my decease herein
 after named. She is qualified as my Executor.
 Fourth - I wish the share bequeathed to my said daughter
 Bertha L. herein, to be invested by my brother S. Norman
 S. Pugaere for her in such manner as he may deem
 most advantageous to her interest, keeping in mind, that
 the safety of such investment shall be of paramount
 consideration.

Fifth - I hereby appoint my beloved wife Carrie S.
 Pugaere, guardian of each of my said children Milton
 S. David S. Roger S. and P. Ben Pugaere until each
 of them arrives at lawful age. And hereby release her
 from giving bond and surety and taking and receiving
 of guardian ship of each of them and their said property.
 And I hereby empower my said wife, as such guardian
 deam, to keep the property of my said four children
 including the amount of the funeral charges for
 each of them, as set forth in the first paragraph
 of this my will, and the property which I have
 hereby devised and bequeathed to her in the third
 paragraph of this my will together, and to manage
 the same, in such manner as she may deem
 best to the interest of my said children and her-
 self, as each of said interest may appear to her.
 And my youngest child arrives at lawful age
 wishing her with the authority, him or her to give to
 either of said children his or her share of said
 property at such time as in his or her discretion, she may
 deem advisable to the interest of such child.

Sixth - I hereby appoint my beloved wife Carrie S. Pugaere
 executrix of this my last will and testament. And exempt
 her from giving bond and taking and being returned
 hereon. In testimony whereof I have set my hand at my
 residence, the town of Opelika in the presence of
 the witnesses herein below set forth on this the second
 day of May 1894.

M. P. Pugaere

We hereby at the request of the testator Milton P.
 Pugaere, sign our names as subscribing witnesses
 to his foregoing last will and testament which
 he signed in our presence on the day and at the
 therein mentioned to-wit: the second day of May 1894
 Witness our hands this the 2nd day of May 1894

J. A. Hale

Geo. A. Hays - James Williamson

The State of Alabama, Probate Court of the County of
 Macon, County. I, H. H. Hays, of the County of Macon,
 do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing was this day in
 said Court, and before me, as the Judge thereof, duly sworn
 by the proper testator to be the last will and testament of
 Milton P. Pugaere deceased and that said will together with
 said probate of thereof have been recorded in my office in Book of
 Wills Page 304 Et Seq. This record my hands and seal of
 Office this 27th day of July 1894.

H. H. Hays Judge of Probate

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The State of Alabama, Probate Court of said County
 Macon, County. I, H. H. Hays, of the County of Macon,
 do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing was this day in
 said Court, and before me, as the Judge thereof, duly sworn
 by the proper testator to be the last will and testament of
 Milton P. Pugaere deceased and that said will together with
 said probate of thereof have been recorded in my office in Book of
 Wills Page 304 Et Seq. This record my hands and seal of
 Office this 27th day of July 1894.

Will

R. M. Compton

of him of age and fully capable of making his last will and testament at the time the same was signed is made and executed as aforesaid. Affiant further states that said testator was in the day of his death of said issue of the full age of twenty one years and upwards. *M. F. Compton*
 sworn to & subscribed before me *W. S. Allen*
 this 9th day of Decr 1895. *H. W. Jeff. Judge of Probate.*

The State of Alabama, I Robert Melwood Compton, Mayor of County of said County and State as made, declared and published this my last will and testament.

Item first - It is my will and desire that all of my just debts be paid as early as practicable.

Item second - I do hereby give, bequeath and devise unto my beloved wife *Ruby S. Compton*, for and during her natural life all my estate, real and personal after the payment of my debts to be managed and controlled by her as her discretion for the support of herself and my children, without being liable to account to any person or any Court for her management thereof, and with power to sell any portion of my estate real or personal, and to buy other property according to her judgment, and after death my said estate to be equally divided between my children.

Item third - I do hereby appoint my wife *Ruby S. Compton* Executor of this my last will and testament. I exempt her from giving bond as such and as she shall and exempt her from making any return annual or otherwise or any appraisement or inventory or any settlement whatever of my said estate with any person or Court.

Item fourth - Should I receive or have any property hereafter it is to be used and disposed of as the other - but nothing contained herein shall be my will and make this the 19th day of December 1894. *R. M. Compton*

Signs sealed and published in presence of *W. S. Allen* *M. F. Compton*

The State of Alabama, I H. W. Jeff. Judge of the Court of Probate in and for said County and State as hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day in said Court and before me as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the last will and testament of *R. M. Compton*, deceased, and was duly signed, written the said proof thereof has been duly recorded in my office in book of wills & page 207 & 208.

And must my hand and seal of office this 9th day of December A. D. 1895.
H. W. Jeff. Judge of Probate.

S. J. Simmons

Petition

Last Will and Testament of Sallie J. Simmons

State of Ala } In Probate Court
 Macon County } To Hon. S. J. Simmons, Judge of said Court
 Your petitioner Sallie R. Cherry, respectfully represents unto you that the late Sallie J. Simmons, who was an inhabitant of this County at the time of her death departed this life on the day of June 1896 leaving a last will and testament, duly signed and published by her, and attested by S. A. Cherry and Fred Dixon in the form a resident of Grimes Ala. but who is residing temporarily at Danville, and the latter a resident of Birmingham Ala. in which will your petitioner is a legatee and devisee, which said will is herewith presented to you and your proposed for probate and record in this Court. Your petitioner further states, that the State of Ala. is required to be herein stated as no person: L. L. Brown and Simmons age 86 residence Birmingham Ala. husband of Sallie J. Simmons.

Sallie R. Cherry age 23 female resides at Grimes Ala. and is the wife of S. A. Cherry. Part of the above portion being of sound mind. Wherefore your petitioner prays that a day be set for hearing this petition, that due notice thereof as required by law be given to the next of kin of said deceased, and that such other formal steps, pains and charges may be had and made in the premises as may be required and proper to effect the due probate and recording of said will according to law.
Sallie R. Cherry.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st day of July 1896
J. P. Keweenaw, J. C.

Proos

The State of Alabama, Probate Court of said County
 Macon County } August 10th 1896.
 In the Matter of the probate of the last will & testament of Sallie J. Simmons, deceased. Before me H. W. Jeff. Judge of said Court personally appeared S. A. Cherry and Fred Dixon who having been by me first asked only duly sworn and examined, and each of them and sworn, that they are each duly qualified and sworn to the instrument of writing now shown to them and which purports to be the last will and testament of Sallie J. Simmons, deceased, late inhabitant of the City of Birmingham in the County of Macon and State of Alabama, that said Sallie J. Simmons

since deceased, signed and executed the same instrument purporting to be his last will and testament in the day the same bears date, and declared the same to be his last will and testament, and that affiants at this his signature stands in the day the same bears date as said writing witnesses to the same in the presence of said Notaries and in the presence of each other, at the request of said Notaries; that said testator was of sound mind and disposing memory and in the opinion of Deponents fully capable of making his last will and testament at the time the same was made. Affiants further state that said testator was in the day of the date of said will of the full age of twenty one years and upwards.
 Given to and S. A. Cherry. J. H. Dixon.
 Subscribed before me this 15th day of August A. D. 1896. J. H. No self. Judge of Probate.

Will

State of Ala } July 17th 1896.
 Marengo Co. I humbly submit by these presents that I Demopolis City Sallie J. Simmons of the aforesaid State County and City do make this my last will and testament. In the love & affection and for other valuable considerations I give and bequeath to my daughter Sallie R. Cherry all of my earthly effects of every nature what soever. My City property which consist of two lots & one half numbered respectively half of lot 600 lots 601 602 with all the appurtenances thereto belonging, all of my real Estate situated in Marengo Co. a part of which is in dispute in the Courts of said County & used & become by Consent of these Courts in possession of these lands they also must be the property of my daughter Sallie R. Cherry. Also all of my house hold & kitchen furniture. I own 5 1/2 acres of land known as a part of the Williamsworth plantation known to me by my uncle Joseph Williamsworth which my daughter Sallie R. Cherry can deliver this land in the value of \$1000 to her sister Lee Ann & an annuity of \$100 per annum is just in possession of this land & also Christened then this land belongs to her sister Sallie R. Cherry who shall own & manage all of said property as she may deem best. I my husband Lewis Lavenex Simmons desires me, it is my expressed wish that my daughter Sallie R. Cherry shall provide for her father so long as he shall remain in good health. My daughter S. R. Cherry shall not give any bond for the performance of any duty herein required & she shall have entire control of said property. This is not to go into effect until after my death.

I reserve the entire right to have managed & make such disposition of said property as I shall see fit during my natural life, after which event I will bequeath my same to her who gave it & my body to the same from which it springs. I permit affix my hand & seal.

Attest

Sallie J. Simmons

Marengo S. A. Cherry. J. H. Dixon.

The State of Alabama } J. H. No self Judge of the Court
 Marengo County } of Probate in and for said County
 and State do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day, in said Court, and before me as the Judge thereof. been duly proved by the proper testimony to be the last will and testament of S. J. Simmons deceased, and said will together with the said proof thereof have been duly read in my office in Court of Hills Bay 309, been under my hand and seal of office this 10th August A. D. 1896. J. H. No self Judge of Probate.

C. F. Compton

Petition

The last Will and Testament of C. F. Compton.

The State of Alabama } Probate Court.

Marengo County } December 12th 1896.

To the Hon. J. H. No self Judge of the Court of Probate of said County

The petition of Susan Compton respectfully represents unto your Honor that the late Charles F. Compton, who was an inhabitant of this County at the time of his death, departed this life in the 3rd Day of December 1896 at his home at Petrean in said County of Marengo and State of Alabama, leaving a last will and testament duly signed and published by him, and attested by E. D. Little and R. C. Williams who reside in this County, in which your petitioner as she truly believes is named as Executive thereof. Which said will is herewith presented to your Honor for probate and record in this Court. Your petitioner further states that she is the widow of said deceased and that she resides in this County, and that the next of kin of said deceased are his Children and grand Children. Charles I. Compton, a son who is over twenty one years of age and resides at Petrean in said State and County; Ann the forewoman, Children of the said Charles I. Compton to-wit: Parvicia Compton, who is over 14 years of age and resides with her father Charles I. Compton. James F. Compton who is under fourteen years of age and resides with his father Charles I. Compton. And William A. Compton who is under fourteen years of age and resides with his father Charles I. Compton. 2nd The Children of Parvicia C. White deceased, a daughter of Petrean to-wit: Patsy Bright and Mary of Alex Bright and resides in Marengo County.

Ann White who is over 14 years and under 21 years of age and resides with his father H. N. White in said County. Anna White who is over 14 and under 21 years of age. Fann White who is 14 years of age and under 21 years of age. Fann White who is under fourteen years of age. All of said Minors reside with their said father H. N. White.

3. Elizabeth N. Clarke, wife of J. N. Clarke, a daughter of deceased. And the foregoing children of the said Elizabeth Towles Daisy. Charles. Grover. Maggie. Willie. Hopper and an unnamed infant, all under the age of twenty one years and reside at Putnam in said County with their father J. N. Clarke and their mother, his wife.

4th Maggie White deceased, who was the wife of H. N. White and who was a daughter of Father and who and from to his death. Left her surviving the foregoing children Towles. Maria. Anna and Esther White. are under twenty one years of age and reside with their father W. H. White at Putnam in said County.

5th Albert W. Crompton, deceased, who was a son of deceased who died just prior to C. S. Crompton was unmarried and left no children.

6th J. Earl Crompton, a son of deceased, who is over majority and years of age and resides at Putnam in said County. In consideration of all of which, your petitioners pray that a day may be set for the hearing the matter of this petition, that Prothonotary may come to bring in said Order asking witnesses to testify on such appointed day, that an notice of this application may be given to said widow and next of kin of said deceased and that such proceedings may be had in the premises as may be requisite and proper to effect the probate and record of said will according to law, and as in duty bound we

Susan Crompton.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 12th day of December 1896.

H. H. Hoef, Judge of Probate.

Proos

The State of Alabama, Probate Court. Dated 28th 1896
Manning County. In the matter of the estate of the late Miss Ann Crompton of Charles S. Crompton Dec. Before me H. H. Hoef Judge of said Court first met at 10 o'clock in open Court E. D. Hite and R. B. Gillespie who having been by me respectively sworn and examined before me say, that each of them is a duly qualified witness to the instrument of writing now shown to them and which purports to be the last will and testament of Charles S. Crompton deceased. late an inhabitant of Putnam Manning County Alabama; that said Charles S. Crompton, once deceased

the same being a will, and said and the same to be his last will and testament, and that apparently suspicious, as their signatures thereto, on the day, the same being date as undersigned witnesses to the same in the presence of the Probate and in the presence of each other, that said Probate and of same kind and appearing memory and in the opinion of apparent fully capable of making his will at the time the same was made as aforesaid; that said Probate was on the day of the date of the making of said will of the free age of twenty one years and upwards.

E. D. Hite. R. B. Gillespie

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of December 1896.

H. H. Hoef, Judge of Probate.

Will of Charles S. Crompton.

The State of Alabama, I Charles S. Crompton of said State Manning County. I And County, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and hereby declare and publish this instrument to be my last will and testament in manner and form as follows to-wit:

Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susan Crompton during her natural life, all of my property of which I have be in possession of at my death, both real and personal, except the plantation known as Deers Creek bluff plantation lying in the above named State and County which I have devised and bequeathed by and of which to my lawful bodily heirs in the year A D 1898. Provided Always that so long as she remains a widow, but if she should marry then this instrument to be void and of no effect, and at the death of my beloved wife Susan Crompton to be, and from as follows to-wit:

Item 2nd I devise and bequeath equally among my lawful bodily heirs all of my Estate both real and personal of which my beloved wife Susan Crompton shall be in possession of at her death.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto the lawful bodily heirs of my beloved daughter Parvencia L. White one equal share of my property both real and personal.

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto the lawful bodily heirs of my beloved son Charles S. Crompton an equal share of my property real and personal.

Provided Always that none of the property named in the 4th can be made by the said Charles S. Crompton in any way whatever, for the payment of any of his debts or any judgment that may come against him or that has been against him but for the sole use of his bodily heirs.

Provided further that I devise and bequeath unto my beloved son Charles S. Crompton all the green land down in section down Marshall Miller River and said by

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death of the Notation Book and loss of Pauline Branch.

Ist I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elizabeth W. Leavitt and her bodily heirs an equal share of my property both real and personal.

I^{2nd} I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Maggie E. White and her bodily heirs an equal share of my property both real and personal.

I^{3rd} I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Albert W. Compton an equal share of all of my property both real and personal.

I^{4th} I give and bequeath unto my beloved son J. Paul Compton an equal share of my property both real and personal.

I^{5th} All of which bequests shall be paid or delivered to the respective devisees herebefore named, by my Executors hereafter named, after all of my just debts and burial expenses shall have been fully paid by my Executors.

I^{6th} I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Susan Compton my Executor of this my last will and testament and exempt her from giving or having approval by any Court to give any bond or security as such Executors.

As witness my hand and seal this 6th day of January 1886 C. F. Compton. (Seal)

In presence of witnesses E. D. Miller R. E. Gillespie

The State of Alabama, S. F. Hooper Judge of the Court Manning County. So of probate in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day, in said Court, and before me as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the last will and testament of Charles F. Compton deceased. And said will was together with the said proof read and have been duly seen and in my office in Book of Wills 13 pages 311 Et. Secg. Given under my hand and seal of Office this 28th day of December 1896

S. F. Hooper Judge of Probate

M. J. Foscoe
Petitioner
Last Will and testament of Mary J. Foscoe. Deceased.
State of Ala. In the Matter of the probate of the last
Manning County Will and testament of Mary J. Foscoe Deceased.
To the Hon. S. F. Hooper Judge of Probate of said County
Fusion Alabama.

The undersigned Francis L. Foscoe, a resident of Demopolis Ala. respectfully represents.

1st That Mary Jane Foscoe died in Demopolis Ala. on the 5th of July 1896.

2nd That she died she was a widow of said Ala. and

and died leaving an estate in said County of Manning County of real and personal property.

3. That deceased left a last will and testament, an nominated therein the her devisees as sole Executors without bond and security.

4. That deceased left her surviving only two children one son the undersigned who resides in Demopolis and one daughter Mrs. Ella M. Foscoe a resident of New Orleans, La.

Said S. F. Foscoe hereby as Executor pro tempore and will for probate in your Hon. Court, and asks that an notice be given to each of them as by Statute is provided.

11th day 1896.

F. L. Foscoe.

Proofs

In the Matter of the last Will & testament of Mary J. Foscoe deceased of Demopolis Manning County Ala. which was propounded for probate at Fusion Ala. on the day of July 1896 by Francis L. Foscoe as sole Executor nominated in said will.

Before me, Saml. F. Hooper, Judge of Probate of said County, personally appeared H. W. Duggar who is known to me and whose name appears as a subscribing witness to the last will and testament of Mary J. Foscoe who died in Demopolis an inhabitant of said Manning County, on July 5th 1896 leaving an estate in said County and the said Duggar being first duly sworn say on oath that the will and testament of said Mary J. Foscoe was written by her at the residence of said Mrs. Foscoe & was signed by her and sent only at Arcola Hale Co. Ala. as & for her last will & testament in his presence and in the presence of Mrs. B. A. Hatch, as attesting witnesses, on the day and at the time the same were made. That at said date said Testatrix was of sound mind and disposing memory, & an Adult and over twenty one years of age and residing at Arcola Hale Co. Ala. That said H. W. Duggar at that date at the request of Testatrix and in shop presence & in the presence of said other witness and advised his name as an attesting witness and that said Mrs. Hatch at that date & at the request of said Testatrix presided in her presence, her name as an attesting witness and in the presence of the other witness H. W. Duggar.

Said H. W. Duggar also affirms on oath that at a subsequent time he wrote at the request of Testatrix, of said Mrs. Foscoe what is attached as a part of her will and what purports to be the written and sealed third last mentioned the twenty seventh 1896 & subscribed by Addie Michael and H. W. Duggar as attesting witnesses. That at said date said Testatrix was of sound & disposing mind and was an inhabitant of Demopolis Manning Co. Ala.

and truly one year. That Mrs Mary J. Fasco as at that date, Nov 27th 1894 began her course voluntarily as a part of her last will and testament in the presence of said Addie Michale & H. W. Dugger as witnesses, and that said H. W. Dugger at the request of said Addie Michale her name at that date in the presence of said Addie Michale and in the presence of said Addie Michale at the request of said Addie Michale at the request of said Addie Michale and in her presence and at the same date said Addie Michale at the request of said Addie Michale and in her presence and in the presence of H. W. Dugger subscribed her name as an attesting witness. H. W. Dugger sworn to & subscribed before me this day of 1896

Will

I Mary J. Fasco of Demopolis Ala. being of sound and disposing mind memory and discretion do hereby make & declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me at any time heretofore made. First. I hereby will and bequeath to my son Frank L. Fasco all my real and personal property including my household goods in Demopolis and the land near Ifferson called the Haggin Place (980 acres) together with any notes, accounts or Chattels I have in my possession to him and his heirs forever, and I appoint my said son Frank my Executor of this will & exempt him from any bond and security as such. Second. I desire to make some provision for the permanent support of my daughter Ella Nora Fasco now in full bloom a but as she will be settled at my death to some income arising from the interest she may have in the Corpus of the trust fund devised her by my said son Frank Jr. de^d her husband further it is only necessary to secure her a certain income which can be applied safely and economically to her board & will being where I know she may be. I therefore desire & require my said son Frank to see that she has applied to her Board Lodging, Support and Comfort the sum of Four hundred Dollars Annually with out fail, intending hereby to guarantee out of my Estate enough to supply any deficit in her income to make that sum. And my Estate is charged to that effect towards that should any year of her life her income from her property after some fair share of four hundred Dollars then my said son Frank must add to her income enough to make the amount four hundred Dollars. But it is not required

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that said property of my son Frank hereby bequeathed shall be liable for said expense under all circumstances, and in the event it is not quickly any or sufficient means to pay off it then I do not require my said son Frank to make good the deficit. Signed sealed published and declared as my last will and testament at Arcola Hale Co. Ala Sept 23rd 1894 in presence of the following: M. J. Fasco witnesses H. W. Dugger. D. A. Hatch

Whereas I Mary J. Fasco have heretofore made and given my last will and testament in the month third day of September 1894 as appears above in this sheet of paper and in the same clause of said will have required my Executor to provide for my daughter Ella Nora Fasco now in her minority by paying for her support & support the sum of \$200.00 Annually, or adding to her income a sum sufficient to make good that amount annually, and whereas I charged my executor to take to that extent now owing to the depreciation of property & the uncertainty of income - and all values in the future I desire to settle the said clause of my said will so that said Ella Nora Fasco and her executor my Executor from any duty to pay or make good said annual sum of four hundred Dollars for the benefit & support of my said daughter Ella and I hereby will that my Estate shall not be charged to that extent & for that purpose said son Frank shall make and declare this to be a Codicil to my said will & desire that it be taken as a part and part of my last will & testament hereby confirming my in every respect the first clause of my said will. Signed sealed and declared as a Codicil and the only Codicil to my last will and testament, at Demopolis Ala. November twenty seventh in the year of our Lord 1896. in the presence of the following: M. J. Fasco witnesses Addie Michale. H. W. Dugger

The State of Alabama, I J. H. Hoag, Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Marengo. County of Marengo. I Court of probate in and for said County and State do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day in said Court and before me as the Judge thereof been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the last will and testament and the correct intent of Mary J. Fasco deceased. And said will and said Addie together with the said proof thereof have been duly read in my office in Book of wills Page 516 & by given under my hand and seal of office this the day of Sept. 1896

EXH. 5. Last Will and Testament of E. W. H. Seiden, Deceased.

Petition

State of Alabama

Marion County 3^d P. O. date is not.

To Honorable Samuel S. Hoar of said Court.

Your petitioner William M. Seiden respectfully informs unto your Honor that the late E. W. H. Seiden who was an inhabitant of this County at the time of her death, departed this life on the 5th day of December 1895 leaving a last Will and Testament duly signed and published by her and attested by Daisy Brathens and E. M. Rice residents, as follows To-wit: The said Daisy Brathens is a resident of Marion Co. North Carolina and the said E. M. Rice is a resident of Montgomery County Alabama in which will your petitioner is named as one of the Executors, which said will is herewith produced to your Honor and proposed for probate and record in this County, And your petitioner further states that your petitioner is the true heir of the deceased, that Bessie C. Peacock is a resident of Elmore Alabama, Laura C. Boston is a resident of Fannin Co. Alabama, the said Bessie C. Peacock and the said Laura C. Boston are both married women and are the age of twenty one years and are daughters of the deceased; Maria Blane Seiden is a resident of Fannin Co. Alabama, is now the age of twenty one years and is a daughter of the deceased; Willie L. Seiden is a resident of Fannin Co. Alabama is under the age of twenty one years and is a daughter of the deceased; Joseph L. Seiden is a resident of Fannin Co. Alabama and is under the age of twenty one years and is a son of the deceased; that your petitioner and the above said Bessie C. Seiden, Laura C. Seiden, Maria Blane Seiden, Willie L. Seiden and Joseph L. Seiden are all of the next of kin and are persons who are entitled to a share of the Estate of the deceased E. W. H. Seiden. Wherefore your petitioner prays that a day be set for hearing of this petition - that due notice thereof as required by law be given to the above named next of kin of said deceased, and that such order and further proceedings orders and decrees may be had and made in the premises as may be deemed to be proper to effect the due probate and recording of said will according to law.

W. M. Seiden

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January A. D. 1896. J. H. Hoar, Judge of Probate State of Alabama

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Marion County 3^d Before me Samuel S. Hoar Judge of Probate of Marion County Alabama personally appeared William M. Seiden who

being first duly sworn depose and say as follows: That M. E. Rice one of the subscribing witnesses to the will of E. W. H. Seiden, is a woman and resides in the City of Montgomery Alabama, that her testimony is material to the proving of the said will, that the other witnesses to said will reside in the State of North Carolina, sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January 1896. J. H. Hoar, Judge of Probate, The State of Alabama Probate Court.

Marion County 3^d To L. E. Rogers

Know ye that in having gone forth in your presence and Amputation, have approached you in person, and by their presents do discharge you as such there and place as you may appoint to care before you and is under M. E. Rice as a witness in behalf of Petitioner in a cause pending in an Probate Court of Marion County wherein W. M. Seiden petitions for Probate of last Will and Testament of E. W. H. Seiden due to on oath to be by you administered upon interrogatories are necessary to this Commission to take and certify the substance of writing and return the same to our own Court with the Commission filed under your hand and seal. Witness this 7th day of January 1896. J. H. Hoar, Judge of Probate State of Alabama of the will of E. W. H. Seiden in the Probate of Marion County.

Subrogation to be proposed to M. E. Rice of Montgomery Alabama a material witness in the proving of the execution of the will of E. W. H. Seiden.

First Interrogatory: Where do you reside, and how long have you resided in Montgomery.

Second Interrogatory: Did you know E. W. H. Seiden during her life time? And if you knew Daisy P. Brathens ever subscribe your name to a will of the said E. W. H. Seiden? If yes, state when it was when it was; and by whose request it was; look at the will attached to these interrogatories and state whether or not that is the will you signed.

Third Interrogatory: Was E. W. H. Seiden of sound mind at the time you signed the will as a witness? And E. W. H. Seiden sign the will which is hereto attached, who was present at the time the will was signed? What was the age of E. W. H. Seiden at the time of making said will. Did each of the subscribing witnesses attest the will in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other. Was E. W. H. Seiden at the time of the signing of said will fully capable of making her last will and Testament. W. M. Seiden

Petitioner

Whereby suggest L. E. Rogers of Montgomery do to take the deposition of M. E. Rice

W. M. Seiden Petitioner

State of Alabama, Deposition of M. E. Rice, a competent person in Montgomery County, the 18th day of January, 1896 at my office in the City of Montgomery said State and County, under and by virtue of a Commission issued in the 7th day of January 1896 out of the Probate Court of Montgomery County, Alabama in a certain Matter in the Probate of the will of E. H. H. Seiden. He said M. E. Rice being first duly sworn to speak the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth so help him God and say as follows: To the first interrogatory she said, I reside at 728 Madison Ave. and have lived in Montgomery about thirty five years and since I was a child.

To the second interrogatory she said, I know Mrs E. H. H. Seiden during her life time. I and Daisy R. Smathers signed our names to a will of the said E. H. H. Seiden. The will attached to the interrogatory and shown me by the Commissioner who took my deposition is the will signed by my self and Daisy R. Smathers.

To the 3rd interrogatory she said, E. H. H. Seiden was of sound mind at the time I signed the will as witness. She signed the will in the presence of my self and in the presence of Daisy R. Smathers with her own hand and do not know the exact age of Mrs Seiden at the time of signing the will, but should judge she was about fifty five years of age. Each of the subscribing witnesses to the said will signed the same in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other. Mrs E. H. H. Seiden at the time of the signing of said will was fully capable of making her last will and Testament.

M. E. Rice.

I L. E. Rogers, the undersigned Commissioner in said Commission named hereby testify that I am not a Counsel or of, nor to the parties to this Cause, nor in any way interested in the result thereof, that I am personally acquainted with the said witness M. E. Rice and know her to be the identical person named in said Commission; that she was sworn and examined as above stated and that her conduct was taken down in her own language and was subscribed by her in my presence on this the 18th day of January 1896 at the place above stated.

L. E. Rogers - Commissioner.

Will

State of Alabama, I E. H. H. Seiden wife of M. M. Seiden Mary O. County S. As made and acted this my last will and Testament. No other persons.

Item 1. I hereby and trusting by Comins my spirit to God who go with it.

Item 2. I appoint my husband M. M. Seiden and my daughter Susan L. Pearce, M. Blaine Seiden and Laura C. Butler to be Executors and

Executors of this my will, and direct that they shall be required to give bond or security.

Item 3. I give to my daughter M. Blaine Seiden & Willie L. Seiden and my son Joseph L. Seiden my present home and contents and surrounding, two year garden and orchard. Also one acre and some of same area of the home and south of the bottom Railway Road, so it shall also be a home for my husband M. M. Seiden, so long as he remain unmarried and also a home for my daughter Susan L. Pearce and Laura C. Butler should they ever be unfortunate and need a home. Should my daughter Blaine Seiden marry her portion of the homestead shall go to my daughter Willie L. Seiden and my son Joseph L. Seiden. Should my daughter Blaine Seiden after marriage be unfortunate and need a home she too can return to the home made for a home.

Item 4. If the proceeds, income and profits of my said property, I direct that my husband M. M. Seiden and any others M. Blaine and Willie L. Seiden and my son Joseph L. Seiden have a just support suitable to the condition in life in which they have heretofore lived. And I direct that my daughter Willie L. Seiden & my son Joseph L. Seiden, shall have a liberal and thorough education from said proceeds of my Estate.

Item 5th. I direct that after the debts of my Estate are paid, and if there are any funds from proceeds more than enough to support and educate my daughter Willie L. Seiden & my son Joseph L. Seiden as aforesaid in a liberal and thorough manner & also support them & my said husband M. M. Seiden and daughter M. Blaine Seiden as aforesaid. I direct these funds to be equally divided between my said husband and for Children to invest as each may desire and as close of age shall think best for the future that shall go to the two Children who are not of age.

Item 6. When my youngest daughter Willie L. Seiden is of age I direct that my property shall be divided. But if my husband M. M. Seiden is living one fifth shall be reserved from division. the proceeds of which is to be applied to his support and maintenance during his natural life. the remaining portion to be equally divided between my four said Children. The homestead & two acre and some of same area of land is not to make due in the division at all. as that is a separate and distinct gift. and never to be sold except by consent of all my Children.

Item 7th. After the death of my said husband the remaining fifth in which he has a life interest shall be equally divided between my four Children unless any of them should be in need & need his portion, then it shall go to the other

person. The open of any of my dear children taking the share that said woman is having.

I am 8th I should my married children are without being the half of their portion of my Estate shall belong to my living children or their heirs.

I am 9th I desire that my said his said portion of my Estate shall in no way be responsible for or taken from him for any debt of his made before my death or any judgment that may be had against him.

I am 10th I desire that if any member of my family try to break this my will, they shall be an inheritor and lose their portion of my Estate.

E. H. H. See den

Agnes Dealed Outbursts & declared as my last will on the 19th day of April 1896, in the presence of the under signed witnesses who signed the same at my request, in my presence and in the presence of each other.

Malaga, Ala. E. H. H. See den

Sally R. Smothers. M. E. Rice.

The State of Alabama. I, H. H. H. See den, Judge of the Marengo County Court of Probate in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day, in said Court and before me as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the last will and testament of E. H. H. See den deceased, and said will, together with the said proof thereof have been duly read and in Court of said Probate Court 318 E. H. See den under my hand and seal of Office this 24th day of January 1896.

H. H. H. See den
Judge of Probate

A. G. Duager

Petition

Last Will and Testament of A. G. Duager. Deceased. In the Matter of the probate of said Will and Testament of the will of Alice Good Duager deceased, Marengo Co., Ala.

To the Hon. Sam. E. H. See den, Judge of Probate, Landon, Ala.

Your petitioner M. H. Dugger is a Co. Executor nominated in said will & a Legatee & son of said testator & prays that Alice G. Duager alive in & in office from August 1896 having an Estate in said City consisting of real & personal property and leaving a last will and testament heretofore submitted & filed for probate with an application in writing assigned to your Honor together with a Certificate signed by testator & attested in due form.

Your petitioner further states that the children of the testator alive survive her M. H. Dugger over 21 yrs & of same name residing at Sanborn Ala. Allen over 21 yrs & of same name residing at Sanborn Ala. Allen over 21 yrs & of same name residing at Washington, Ala. That Alice Vaughan Sprague is over 21 yrs of same name and same R. Sprague is over 21 yrs of same name and same S. Myron S. and S. son of same name & names & all with their said mother in Mobile.

That L. White Dugger died some years ago leaving his widow in Petersburg, Va. & one child, Alice S. who resides with her mother in Petersburg, Va. and is found dead over 18 yrs & a minor, her said mother is of same name & has since married & her address is in B. Lane Petersburg, Va. other legatees mentioned in said will are the wife & children of said L. B. H. Dugger and are over 21 yrs & of same name.

Your petitioner asks that said will & Codicil be probated, and that Mrs. Anna Stewart of Tallapoosa & Benjamin J. Elmer Esq. of Annopolis are attesting witnesses be duly subjoined: that a day be set for hearing of this Petition & probate of said will & such other steps be taken in the matter as by Statute is in such case made & provided.

M. H. Dugger

R. H. Dugger, for

M. H. D.

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The State of Alabama, Probate Court, Marengo County, Ala. and

In the matter of the probate of the last Will and Testament and Codicil thereto of Alice G. Duager deceased.

Before me, H. H. See den, Judge of said Court, personally appeared Anna J. Stewart who having been by me, first duly sworn and examined, and who does depose and say in oath, that she is a subscribing witness to the instrument of writing now shown to her and which purports to be the last will and testament of A. G. Duager, deceased, but notwithstanding of the City of Annopolis in the County of Marengo & State of Alabama; that said A. G. Duager once deceased signed and executed the said instrument purporting to be her last will and testament on the day the same bears date, and acknowledged the same to be her last will and testament, and that after she died she by natural death and I have the other subscribing witness, but she by natural death on the day the same bears

likely a cut glass dish, his grand mother Daughters like
me as he is good my brother with one of her brothers in the
body. I leave my daughter Marson my girl at of China
an old one room at belonging to the same and told I have
her, a piece of silver she and Randin gave me Christ mas
and a Mass black Brass.

Secondly. I write to my daughter Im. white wife, 8 new
pieces and 12 new skins, a good ring with stone and
a good stone and a new black dress a pair of shoes
and brass pins.

Thirdly. I write to my sister Miss white given to
me is for little Alice and Dick Duggar.

I write to my grand daughter Alice D. Sprague my large
silver watch, a good black cloth apron and white, my
mass with all that is in it, except what has a name
on it for her little sister and brother. My silver bed room
set just as it is (and an equal part of my money, my
leaves).

Fourthly. To my grand daughter Pines. I write her much
Hobbs bedstead and Bureau. a Mass pretty silver Lash
Marshall G. S. S. and a spoon that has a stone carved on
it.

Fifthly. I write to my grand daughter Fanny the small
silver spoon, a good ring, one of the spoons has much
Hobbs name on it.

Sixthly. I write to my son S. Sprague a brass pin and
Jenny Cur.

Seventhly. To Andrew a brass pin made of much Indian
hair, and a Jenny Cur.

Eighthly. I write to my grand son Andrew Duggar
and my brother Marshall G. S. S. I write him the good
watch Marshall G. S. S.

Ninthly. I write to Randin, my grand son, a large
good ring and of his Indian Medicine, all the Medical
Books of his much Hobbs.

10. I write to my grand son Randin Duggar a
brass pin and good ring.

11. I write to my grand son Marney good Duggar

12. I write to my grand son L. L. Duggar

13. I write to little D. Duggar

14. I write to little Mary Lou Duggar

15. I wish H. H. Duggar and Dr. R. H. Duggar
to be my Executors and as I have other things
that I have not wished away such as Kitchen
utensils and every day living articles in the house.

I wish them to be careful as was they are not forgetting
that country has many things of his own here.

Witness my hand and seal. Alice S. Duggar
Anna J. Stewart
Flora M. Stewart.

Codicil

State of Alabama I Alice S. Duggar of Demopolis
Madison County Ala. make and publish this
Codicil to my last will and testament, dated the 9th
day of November 1887 which will I do satisfy and
confirm in all things. As apt as the same shall be
changed hereby. In addition to the provisions already
made in my said will for my dear beloved and much
beloved grand daughter, Alice D. Sprague, I the said
Alice S. Duggar, do give, devise and bequeath to the said
Alice D. Sprague, my dwelling house and lots on which
said dwelling house is situated, in the City of Demopolis,
Ala. said lots being situated in said City of Demopolis,
Madison County, Ala. and thence and described
in the Map or plan of said City of Demopolis as Lots
No. One hundred and one forty one (141) One hundred and
forty eight (148) said lots being bounded on the west
by Main or Market Street, South by Section Street, East
by Malum Street, and North by Lots No. 142 and 147
together with all the appurtenances and improvements
thereto belonging. In testimony whereof I the said
Alice S. Duggar, do hereby set my hand and seal
this 2nd day of March 1895.

Signed and published by A. S. Duggar (S)
the said Alice S. Duggar, as a Codicil to her last
will and testament in my presence, and we, in her
presence, and in the presence of each other have
at her request, wrote and subscribed our names as
witnesses this 2nd day of March A. S. 1895.

Beason H. Clemons. Benj. F. Clemons.
The State of Alabama I H. H. No. of Judge of the
Madison County Clerk of probate in and for
said County and State, do hereby certify that the
within instruments of writing have this day in said
Court and before me as the Judge thereof been
readly proven, by the proper testimony to be the
last will and testament and Codicil thereto
of Alice S. Duggar, deceased, and that said
will and said Codicil together with said
proof thereof have been read and in my office
in Book of Wills B pages 322 Et seq.
Given under my hand and seal of Office
this 12th day October 1896.

J. H. No. of
Judge of Probate

Edward Glaucille Baptist Will.
 I, Edward Glaucille Baptist of the Spotsylvania County, State of Virginia, being of sound mind and memory, but infirm in body; recognizing the uncertainty of human life & desiring to make preparation for death, both as to my temporal as well as my spiritual affairs, do hereby make this my last will and testament.
 Item 1st I bequeath my wife Sarah A. Baptist (now deceased) & give and bequeath my farm upon which I reside known as Glaucille, together with all house and outbuildings, furniture, also all teams, tools, vehicles & farming utensils, all cattle, sheep, hogs, fowls, growing crops and provisions which may be upon said farm at the time of my death, to her & in the proportion to be for her use and support during her natural life & at her death to be equally divided between her three children by me (viz) Maude, Harry & Maurice.
 Item 2nd I wish all my debts cleared & accounts are my collector, my land in Maryland, County Alle and all my just debts (if any) paid: To her and her three children to be spent in Maurice's academic education to make him equal with my other children. If this is not done before my death, and then the remainder (if any) to be equally divided between my five children (viz) Kate, Florence, Maude, Harry & Maurice, charging Harry with (\$400.00) already advanced him to get his medical education.
 Item 3rd I desire to be buried by the side of my dear little son Ross & a plain strong enclosure of stone (if thought practicable by my family) placed around it, 20 feet square, the side to which shall be noted in my former and I hereby commit my body to the earth and my spirit to the care of my Baptist Saviour who gave himself for me and save me with an everlasting salvation to whom be the glory forever Amen.
 Item 4th I appoint my dear wife Sarah, executrix of this my last will and testament & the guardian of my minor children & request that the Court do not require her to give security for the same. Done the 20th day of October 1874
 As witness my hand and seal.
 E. G. Baptist (Seal)
 L. M. Smith -

Pross
 Virginia. In Spotsylvania County, Clerk June 14 1896
 A Notary public being to be the last will and testament of E. G. Baptist deceased was this day produced in Court for probate. And then being my own undersigned certifying that E. G. Baptist and M. S. Smith can come into Court and sworn and properly appear that they are well acquainted with the handwriting of the testator and truly believe that the said last will and testament is the last will and testament of the said

Letters

And also to be wholly written in the hand writing of the said E. G. Baptist deceased, and our finding is made to be true and as the true last will and testament of the said E. G. Baptist deceased, and in the matter of Sarah A. Baptist the executor named who came with and entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$1,000.00 with sureties, according to law, and the Court is granted for obtaining probate of said will as an form -
 J. C. H. Greiner 16. 6.

Letters of Executorship

To all whom it may concern: I, J. C. H. Greiner Clerk of the Court, Court of Spotsylvania County, Virginia do hereby certify that at a Court held for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia on Monday the first day of June A D 1896 Sarah A. Baptist the executor named in the last will and testament of E. G. Baptist deceased was duly qualified as such executor of said E. G. Baptist deceased and that she entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$1,000.00 conditioned according to law, with security approved by the Court. Then letters of Executorship are to show that she is a single and unmarried woman and is duly qualified and authorized as such executor of the said E. G. Baptist deceased, in all matters and things concerning the same according to law. And under my hand as Clerk and the seal of said Court this 16th day of July 1896 and in the 12th year of the Commonwealth.

J. C. H. Greiner Clerk



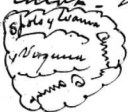
Certificates

United States of America.
 State of Virginia. County of Spotsylvania.
 Do. H. H. I. Robert E. Waller Judge of the County Court of Spotsylvania, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that J. C. H. Greiner, whose name is signed to the foregoing Certificate, is, and was at the time of signing the same, Clerk of the said Court, and elected and qualified: that his signature above is in due form of law; that his signature is genuine and that all of his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit.
 Done under my hand this 16th day of July 1896
 Robert E. Waller
 Judge of Spotsylvania County, Virginia

United States of America

State of Virginia, County of Spotsylvania.
To wit: J. P. H. Grosmund, Clerk of the County Court
of Spotsylvania County, do hereby Certify that Robert
E. Waller whose name is signed to the foregoing
Certificate, is and was, at the time of signing
the same, Judge of the said Court, and qualified
himself my hand this 16th day of July
1896.
J. P. H. Grosmund - Clerk.

State of Virginia } To wit: J. P. H. Grosmund Clerk
County of Spotsylvania } of the County Court of Spotsylvania
County, in the State of Virginia hereby Certify that
the foregoing is a true transcript from the records
of said Court. In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the seal of said
Court this 16th day of July 1896.
J. P. H. Grosmund Clerk



The State of Virginia } To wit: J. Robert E. Waller
County of Spotsylvania } Judge of the County Court of
Spotsylvania, in the State of Virginia, do hereby
Certify that J. P. H. Grosmund, whose name is signed
to the foregoing Certificate, is, and was at the
time of signing the same, Clerk of the said Court
and qualified and qualified that his attestation
above is in and form of law, that his signature
is genuine, and that all of his official acts
are entitled to full faith and credit.

Given under my hand this 16th day of July 1896

Robert E. Waller, Judge
Spotsylvania County Court

State of Virginia } To wit: J. P. H. Grosmund
County of Spotsylvania } Clerk of the County Court of
Spotsylvania County, do hereby Certify that Robert
E. Waller whose name is signed to the foregoing
Certificate, is, and was, at the time of signing
the same, Judge of the said Court and qualified
himself my hand this 16th day of July
1896.
J. P. H. Grosmund - Clerk.

Filed for record and duly read and this
12th September 1896

J. P. Mason
Judge of Probate

Petition

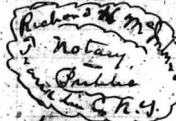
Joanna H. Mason, Mill.

The State of Alabama Probate Court.
Marengo County. To Honourable S. H. No self
Judge of said Court: Your petitioner Eugene H.
Hatch respectfully represents unto your honor that
the last Will and Testament came the estate then
to of Joanna H. Mason, late of the City of Plain
field, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, deceased,
has been duly admitted to probate and named
by the Surrogate of said County of Union, State of
New Jersey, and his herewith submits a copy of
said Will and the Corrine estate, and the probate
thereof duly certified by the said Surrogate the Town
Judge T. Pardee Esq., and who is, ex officio
Clerk of the Orphan Court of said County and State
and the Corrine of the Thomas F. McCombs Jr.
of said County, that said Pardee is the Clerk of
said Court, and petitioner further represents
that said Court is a Court of competent juris-
diction of the probate of Wills under the laws
of New Jersey. Petitioner further represents unto
your honor that said Joanna H. Mason was
at the time of her death an inhabitant of
the County of Union and State of New Jersey, and
deceased this life more than the day prior to
the 20th day of September 1897, leaving a last
Will and Testament made and executed by her
and attested by F. E. Henry on one S. H. Planchard
and said Corrine attested by J. A. Arnold and
F. J. Clarke, as subscribing witnesses thereto.
Petitioner further represents that said Joanna
left assets in said County of Marengo and State
of Alabama, and that petitioner is named as
Executor in said Will, and is exempt from
giving bond or security as such in any previous
time when he might act under such Will.
Petitioner further prays unto your honor that
the only next of kin and heirs at law of said
Joanna H. Mason is Eleanor M. wife of
John H. Mason, my Child of said deceased
Anne who is over twenty one years of age
of said Union, and resides at Saratoga Lake
New York, who waives all notice of this Orphan
Court and consents that said Will may be ad-
mitted to probate forthwith whereupon your peti-
tioner prays that a day may be set for the
reading of this petition, and that such other
proceeding, or acts and answers may be had

and more in the present as may be against the
and proper to afford the same, protect and defend
any of said land under the laws of the State of
Alabama. Eugene H. Hatch by Wm. Amory Esq.
Probate Court in the matter of the probate in
Monroe County, State of Alabama of the last
Will and Testament and Codicil thereto of
Joanna H. Maxson, deceased, heretofore duly
given in the State of New Jersey.

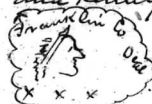
I the undersigned, Eliza M. Thomson of
Savannah Place, County of Franklin, State of New
York, being of the age of twenty one years and
upwards and the only child, heir and next of
kin of Joanna H. Maxson, late of the City
of Plainfield, County of Union and State of
New Jersey, deceased, do hereby appear in person
and before the publication and service of any
and all notices of the application for the
admission to probate in the State of Ala-
bama of the last Will and Testament
and Codicil thereto of said Joanna H.
Maxson, deceased, which Will and Codicil
were duly admitted to probate in said New
Jersey, State of New Jersey, September 25th 1897
and do hereby certify that the same may be admitted
to probate for the said in Monroe County, Alabama.

Eliza M. Thomson
Alice Horschberg, Geo. Ward Thomson,
State of New York. On this 7th day of January
1898, before me, a Notary Public in and for the
County of Franklin, State of New York, personally
came Eliza M. Thomson, to me known and
known to me to be the individuals described
in, and who executed the foregoing waiver
and Consent and Acknowledgment that being
inferred of the contents of said Waiver and
Consent she executed the same voluntarily
Witness my hand and office at
Plainfield, N. J. and at the City of New York
this 7th day of January 1898.
R. H. M. Dwyer, Notary Public



State of New York. I, M. H. Flack, Clerk of said
Court of Franklin County, County of Franklin and
Clerk of the Supreme and County Courts which are
Courts of record in and for said County, do hereby
certify that R. H. M. Dwyer Esq. whose name is
subscribed to the Certificate of the proof or certifi-
cate of the same is not known and there-

another, was, at the time of making and proof of
said Waiver and Consent, a Notary Public, in and for said
County, in which County, Monroe County, New Jersey, and only
authorizing to take the same, and, further, that I
am well acquainted with the handwriting of the
said Notary and truly believe that the signature
to the said Certificate of proof or certifi-
cate is genuine, and that the said instrument is the
true and correct copy seen by me to the laws of
this State. In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court
and County this 7th day of Jan. 2^d 1898
Franklin Co.
M. H. Flack, Clerk.



To the Surrogate of the County of Union.

Eugene H. Hatch the Ex-ante naming in the last
Will and Testament and Codicil thereto of Joanna H.
Maxson late of the City of Plainfield in the
County of Union and State of New Jersey deceased
heretofore applied for the probate of the said last Will
and Codicil thereto and shows that the next of kin
and heirs at law of the said Joanna H. Maxson
together with their respective residences or Post
Office addresses, so far as the same are known
in this application has been able to ascertain and as
far as possible, Eliza M. wife of John Ward Thomson
only child of said deceased, Joanna H. late Mrs.
York.
Union County. ssd

Eugene H. Hatch above named
being duly sworn in his oath says that the State
witness in the foregoing application for probate of said
Will and Codicil.
Eugene H. Hatch
Sworn before me September 21st 1897.

H. B. Parrot Deputy Surrogate.
I, Joanna H. Maxson, of the City of Plainfield
County of Union and State of New Jersey, do hereby
make, publish and declare the following to be my
last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former
Wills by me made.

First. I direct my Executor to pay all my just
debts, funeral and testamentary expenses
second. I give to my daughter Eliza M. Thomson all
my clothing, work of art, books and jewelry, and all
the furniture and articles of household furniture of
which I am the sole owner.
Third. I direct that my Executor and I are to share

at the request of my sister, Eliza Elvira Henry on, leave to my said sister from year to year, for not more than five years after my death, my share and interest of any in that parcel of land with the improvements, situated in Decatur, Union and Eighth Streets in Plainfield, known as the Brimley and also, all my share and interest in the premises, household goods and fixtures which she and I together own in equal shares, she to pay all taxes and assessments in said real and personal property, and the interest upon the mortgage affecting said land, to keep the building and improvements in good repair and insured to the amount of Seventeen thousand and five hundred dollars, and in addition to pay to my said Executor and Trustee the yearly rent of the land and doovers in equal half yearly payments, After said period of five years, the leasing of said premises shall be in the discretion of Executor and Trustee as herein after provided - I give all my interest in the family silver and ornaments that may be in hand in the summer at the time of my death to my said sister Eliza E. Henry on.

For the purpose to the foregoing provisions, I give devise and bequeath, all my Estate both real and personal to my Executors herein after named, and his or successors, in trust, to apply the rents, issues and interest thereon, to the disposable use of my daughter Eleanor H. Thomson, during her life - and also, in trust, for the future uses and purposes herein after expressed.

Fifth - If my said daughter Eleanor H. Thomson shall leave as her death, a child or children born after my death, then the property, premises and money in the hands of my Trustee shall be equally divided among the children of my said daughter, who, at her death, are all the age of twenty one years, and those who then, or attain that age, such to receive, upon the death of my said daughter, or upon coming of age, as the case may be, such portion as if she is then apparently entitled to, and in all cases the share of a deceased child to receive the share his, his or their parents would have had if living, and the Trustee shall apply to the use of each of said children as and under age so much of the income of the property held by him, as may be proper, in his

judgment, for their support and education, the surplus of which, to be added to the principal. Sixth - But if my said daughter shall leave as her death my child or children in my life time, or if my said daughter shall die in my life, leaving issue, then from the time of the death of my said daughter, or from my own death, whichever may last happen, the property hereby given to the Trustee under this will, shall be considered to be divided into as many parts or shares as there may be children of my said daughter then living, the share of a deceased child, if any then may be, to be treated as a child for this purpose; and a like division of said shares shall be made by the Trustee under this will, whenever he shall judge it to be necessary or reasonable, subject to the exception hereinafter of the said Trustee shall have the said shares of said property during the life of said children respectively; that is to say, a share thereof during the life of each child of said daughter living at her death, or at my death, as the case may be; and shall apply the net income thereof to the use of each child respectively, except however, that when any child of my said daughter shall have reached the age of thirty years, and shall be, in the judgment of the Trustee under this will, competent to manage and care for his own or her own property, and likely to make a proper use thereof, such Trustee shall assign, convey and pay over to him or her, his or her share of my estate, the same to be his or her absolute property, if, at my death, or at the death of my said daughter, whichever may last happen, then shall be living issue of a deceased child of my said daughter such share shall be allotted to one of the said parts or shares of my estate; and upon the death of any child of my said daughter who shall have been entitled to receive, during life, the income of one of said shares of my estate, such share shall go to the issue, if any, of the person so dying; if there be no issue, then to my heirs or next of kin.

Seventh - I authorize my said Executors and Trustee, and his or successors in such trust, to do any or one of the acts herein after mentioned that is to say:

1. To retain, if he think it proper, any real estate which I may own at my decease, whether liable for taxes which may be outstanding by my estate therefrom.
2. To waive the funds of my estate in favor

Mortgage bonds of Ainsworth paying said moneys or to loan the same upon bonds secured by Mortgage upon improved and unimproved property, situate in any State in the Union, and with in the opinion of My Trustee, or his agent, at least double the amount of the loan.

3. To invest the funds of my estate in the purchase of real estate for the personal use of my said daughter if she shall desire it and such purchase shall appear to said Trustee to be prudent.

4. To own any real estate of which I may die seised, or which may have been purchased pursuant to this will, as public or private sale and upon such terms as the Trustee may think prudent, and to convey the same to the purchaser or purchasers.

5. To apply to the use of my said daughter from time to time, such portion of the income of the trust funds as may be necessary for her support, if, by reason of sickness or other misfortune, she cannot take from thence her usual expenses in the prosecution of the trust under this will.

Eighth. I desire my said Trustee to consult with my said daughter respecting all her investments, and to conform to his wishes and wishes with respect thereto, as far as may be, in his judgment, safe and proper.

Ninth. I nominate and appoint John H. Whitton of Plainfield, New Jersey, to be the executor of this will and Trustee thereunder. If he should for any cause decline to act as such executor and Trustee or cease to act as such before the complete execution of the trust created by this will, then I nominate and appoint Frederick J. Stinson of the City of New York, to be such executor and Trustee, or Trustee alone, as the case may require.

I desire that no provision be required from either said John H. Whitton, or said Frederick J. Stinson in any jurisdiction where either of them may act under this will. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of June, A.D. 1888, eight hundred and Eighty Eighth.

Joanna H. Maxson (Seal)
Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Testatrix as and for her last will and testament, in the presence of her friends at the same time who, at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed

in witness as aforesaid. Francis Edwin Henson Plainfield, N.J.
Somerset Huntington Plainfield, N.J.
Joanna H. Maxson, of the City of Plainfield, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, having made my last will and testament, bearing date the fourth day of June 1888, do now make this Codicil to my said will and testament, Whereas by my said will I have appointed John H. Whitton to be the executor thereof and Trustee thereunder, and have also by my said will appointed Frederick J. Stinson, to be such executor and Trustee or Trustee alone, as the case might require, if the said John H. Whitton should for any cause decline to act as such executor and Trustee, or cease to act as such before the complete execution of the trust created by my said will, then I do hereby revoke the appointment of the said John H. Whitton as such executor and Trustee and do also hereby revoke the said appointment of the said Frederick J. Stinson, and I do hereby appoint Eugene H. Hatch, of the City of Plainfield, State of New Jersey to be the sole executor of my said will and Trustee thereunder, in the place of the said John H. Whitton; and in case the said Eugene H. Hatch should for any cause decline to act as such executor and Trustee, or cease to act as such before the complete execution of the trust created by my said will, then I hereby nominate and appoint Henry E. Stinson, of the City of New York to be such executor and Trustee, or Trustee alone, as the case may require; and I declare that my said will shall be construed and take effect as if the name of Eugene H. Hatch were inserted in my said will throughout instead of the name of the said John H. Whitton and as if the name of the said Henry E. Stinson were inserted in my said will through out instead of the name of the said Frederick J. Stinson; and in all other respects I do hereby confirm my said will. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of June A.D. 1888, eight hundred and Eighty Eighth.

Joanna H. Maxson (Seal)
Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Testatrix as and for a Codicil to her last will and testament, in the presence of her friends at the same time, who, at request of her presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.
Isaac S. Arnold, Plainfield, N.J.
Thomas F. Charles Plainfield, N.J.

State of New Jersey, S. S.
County of Union, S. S. Isaac S. Connel, of Plunket
Pastor, New York, and Florence F. Ashala of
Plunket New Jersey, witnesses to the annexed
Will to the annexed will of Joanna H. Max-
son, late of the City of Plunket, deceased,
being over the said, before and say that they
and each of them are well acquainted with Francis
Elova Henson, of Plunket, New Jersey, one of
the subscribing witnesses to the said annexed will
having been for some years last past associated
with her as Co-teacher in the Sunday, in said
City of Plunket; that in June 1897, the said
Francis Elova Henson went to Europe to perform
her duties for a year at different places in
Germany and France, and then to return and
resume teaching at said Sunday; that as
their affidavits and each of them are informed
and truly believe the said Francis Elova Henson
is now absent from this State and is in the City
of Heidelberg Germany for the purpose aforesaid
that the contents of their affidavits information
and the ground of their belief as to the place
of present abode of said Francis Elova Henson
as was stated made by her to them before
she left this County and statements made by
her in letters recently received from her.

These affidavits further say that they and each of
them are well acquainted with the manner and style
of hand writing of said Francis Elova Henson having
often seen her write, and that they and each of
them truly believe that the signature purporting
to be hers, subscribed as a witness to the instrument
in writing now produced and shown to these affi-
davit and each of them purporting to be the
last will and testament of said Joanna H. Max-
son deceased, bearing date the fourth day of June
1888 and unto annexed, is the proper signature
and hand writing of said Francis Elova Henson.

These affidavits further say that they and
each of them have been acquainted with
the said Joanna H. Maxson New deceased,
and with her manner and style handwriting,
having often seen her write, and they and each of
them truly believe that the signature of the
said Joanna H. Maxson, subscribed as a witness
to the said instrument in writing now pro-
duced and shown to these affidavits and
each of them, purporting to be the last

will and testament of said deceased, bearing date
the fourth day of June 1888 and unto annexed
is the proper signature and handwriting of said
deceased.
Isaac S. Connel
Florence F. Ashala
to before me this 20th day of September 1897.

W. B. Parrot, Deputy Surrogate.

Union County, S. S.

Samuel Huntington one of the witnesses to the annexed
instrument purporting to be the last will and testament
of Joanna H. Maxson the testatrix therein named
deceased, being duly sworn, says that he saw the said
testatrix sign and seal the said annexed writing and
know her public pronouncement and declare the same as
and for her last will and testament; that at the time
of the doing thereof the said testatrix was of sound
disposing mind memory and understanding so far
as this affidavit shows as he truly believe that
Francis Elova Henson the other subscribing witness
therein was present at the same time with the testatrix
and together with him subscribed their names there-
unto as witnesses in the presence of the testatrix and
of each other, at the signing of the said instrument
and that said testatrix died more than ten
days ago.

Samuel Huntington -
Subscribed before me this 21st day of September
A. D. 1897 at Elizabeth. W. B. Parrot Deputy Surrogate,
Union County, S. S.

Isaac S. Connel, one of the witnesses to the annexed
instrument purporting to be a Codicil to the
last will and testament of Joanna H. Max-
son the testatrix therein named, deceased,
being duly sworn, says that she saw the said
testatrix sign and seal the said annexed
instrument, and heard her public pronouncement and
declare the same as for a Codicil to her last
will and testament; that at the time of the
doing thereof the said testatrix was of sound
disposing mind memory and understanding
so far as this affidavit shows as she truly be-
lieve; that Florence F. Clark, the other subscribing
witness therein was present at the same time with
this affidavit and together with her subscribed their
names thereunto as witnesses in the presence of the
testatrix, and of each other, at the signing of
the said instrument, and that said testatrix died
more than ten days ago. Isaac S. Connel -
Subscribed before me this 20th day of September A. D. 1897
at Elizabeth. W. B. Parrot Deputy Surrogate.

Acts of this State. Witness my hand this 18th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven
J. F. M. Crowell.

Presiding Judge Mini County, Alabama, Court of the County of Mini, S. J. Judge J. Parrot, Clerk or Registrar of the Alabama Court of the County of Mini; do hereby certify that Thomas F. M. Crowell whose name is subscribed to the preceding Certificate, is Presiding Judge of the Alabama Court of the County of Mini, duly appointed, and sworn, and that the signature of said Judge to said Certificate is genuine.



In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this 18th day of December 1897.

Geo. E. Parrot, Surrogate.

Filed for record and record January 16th 1898.

J. F. M. Crowell, Judge of Probate, M. C. Ala.

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. M. A. Grant, State of Alabama. To the Hon. J. F. M. Crowell, Judge of the County of Mini, Alabama, and the Court of Probate of said County. The petition of M. E. Brasfield, executor, respectfully represents unto your honor that the late Mrs. M. A. Grant, who was an inhabitant of this County at the time of her death, departed this life on the day of 1897. Near the village of Jeffers in Morgan County, Ala., leaving a last Will and Testament duly signed and proved by her and attested by Charles B. Cleveland and Garland Heron, who reside in this County, in which your petitioner as he verily believes is named as Co-Executor thereof which said Will is herewith presented to your honor and is proper and fit for probate and record in this Court. Your petitioner further states that Walter Grant, L. E. Grant, Mary P. Brasfield and W. S. Grant as trustees for his children are the only heirs at law of said deceased and that each is over the age of twenty one years of sound mind and reside in Morgan County, Alabama. In consideration of all of which your petitioner prays that he may be set for the hearing of the matter of this petition, that Citation may issue to bring in said said parties and witnesses to testify on such day appointed, and that one of them of their

application may be given to have service of said process, and that such order and further proceedings may and should be had and made in the premises as may be deemed and proper to effect the due probate of said Will according to law.

And as in duty bound, do. M. E. Brasfield, Executor, and come to this 29th day of November 1897. J. F. M. Crowell, Judge of Probate, The State of Alabama, Probate Court, Morgan County, 3rd Feb'y 14th 1898. In the matter of the probate of the last Will and Testament of M. A. Grant, dec'd.

Before me J. F. M. Crowell, Judge of said Court personally appeared Garland Heron and C. B. Cleveland who having been by me first duly sworn and examined depose and say, that they are subscribing witnesses to the instrument of writing now shown to them, and which purports to be the last Will and Testament of M. A. Grant deceased, late an inhabitant of the County of Morgan and State of Alabama; that said M. A. Grant since deceased, signed and executed the said instrument in the presence of affiants on the day the same bears date, and declared the same to be his last Will and Testament; that affiants respectively set their signatures thereto as subscribing witnesses at the request of said Testator; in her presence and in the presence of each other; that said Testator was of sound mind and in the opinion of affiants fully capable of making his last Will and Testament at the time the same was made and executed as aforesaid. And that said Testator was on the day of the date and making of said instrument of the full age of twenty one years and upwards. Garland Heron - C. B. Cleveland. Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 14th day of February 1898. J. F. M. Crowell, Judge of Probate.

The State of Alabama, Minn. all men by these presents Morgan County that I Martha A. Grant, being of sound mind and good health, but mindful of the uncertainty of life, do make, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament. hereby revoking all former Wills and testaments by me at any time heretofore made.

As to my worldly estate and property, I am leaving of one person and more property of which I may die seized and free and clear of all debts which I may be indebted at the time of my death. I give, bequeath, assign and

of the same, as follows:
First. My wife is that all of my just debts and for
which expenses shall be paid as soon after my decease
as may be convenient.

Second. I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter
Mary R. Brasfield, the sum of One hundred and fifty
dollars, to be paid out of my personal property
or from any money I may have in hand at the time
of my decease, as early as may be convenient, and
as soon as my debts and funeral expenses have
been paid.

Third. I give, bequeath and devise to my Children of
my son William S. Grant, who shall be living at
the time of my decease, my dwelling house at
near the town of Jefferson, Morgan County Alabama
together with the lands adjoining and attached to the
same, being fifty acres more or less, to have and
to hold to the said child, their heirs and assigns forever.
Fourth. I give, bequeath and devise the balance
of my property, real and personal to my three
Children Walter Grant, Louis E. Grant, and Mary R.
Brasfield, and to the Children of my son William
S. Grant, my grand Children; who shall be living
at the time of my decease; to have and to hold unto
them, their heirs and assigns as follows:

The personal property shall be divided equally
between them, share and share alike, except that
the aforementioned Children of my son William S. Grant
shall receive only one fourth of my personal property.
My real estate shall be divided between them
as follows: The Children of William S. Grant, who
shall be living at the time of my decease, shall
have two thirds and acres of land, of average value
to be selected and set apart to them as hereafter
provided. The remainder of my land shall be divided
equally between the said Walter Grant Louis E.
Grant and Mary R. Brasfield as hereafter provided.
And should either of said Children die, leaving
no Children or Child, then and in that event, the
share of the said land shall vest to my Children
then living, share and share alike, except however
that the portion my son William S. Grant would
have, shall go to his Children then living, and
in case none of my said Children shall be
living, the said lands shall vest to my grand
Children, according to the laws of Succession in
Alabama.

Fifth. All of my Children being over of age
and it is my wife and mine that the wife shall

be probate, but no longer testamentary shall be taken and
no any reference made for administration, unless it may be
deemed absolutely necessary.

Sixth. It is my will and desire that the same herebefore
bequeathed, except those lands mentioned in Item third
of this will shall be postponed and divided among the
said devisees before mentioned, in the month of January
succeeding my decease, or as soon thereafter as practicable.
I desire that Walter Grant shall have his share of said
lands from the Bryant Grant piece and that Mary R. Bras-
field shall have her share from the lands adjoining the
lands of W. S. Brasfield her husband, and it is further
my desire that Mary R. Brasfield shall have as part of
her share two acres of the forty in which her residence
is situated, being east of the Indian and Jefferson roads, and
that the balance of that forty acres being east of the
Indian and Jefferson roads shall go to Walter S. Grant
as a part and parcel of his share in the lands
herebefore devised.

Seventh. Of the lands and Chattels herebefore de-
vised to the Children of my son William S. Grant
I desire that she shall have the exclusive control
and management, until the marriage of said Chi-
dren, who shall be living at the time of my decease,
shall have attained the age of twenty one years. It
is my intention and wish to constitute him, her
of all the property herebefore bequeathed to his said
Children, with all the duties and powers pertaining
to such office.

Eighth. I call the said Walter Grant, Mary R. Brasfield
Louis E. Grant, and William S. Grant, as trustees for the
said Children cannot agree upon a division and part
two of said lands, it is my will and desire that
they shall each select a person to act upon a board
of Arbitration and Partition, to consist of the
five so selected, and one other, in case they shall
fail to agree, and that said board so constituted
shall divide and partition said lands fairly and
equitably, having regard to the directions herein
before contained, and it is my will and desire
that my ex recutors hereafter appointed shall be
members of said Board, and to the end
that my Children shall have and receive their
the specific gift to my daughter Mary R. Bras-
field of the sum of One hundred and fifty
dollars, I commit them in and to one and appoint
of the gift of a horse each to my son William
Grant, and of a piano to my daughter
Louis, which has been in the hands of

Worth. Having the utmost confidence in my son in law
W. S. Bradford, and believing that my son Walter
Grant will be acceptable to the remainder of my
children in such capacity, I do hereby nominate
and appoint them to be the Executors of this
my last Will and Testament, in testimony where
of I, the said Martha A. Grant have to this my
last Will and Testament subscribed my name and
affixed my seal; this the 26th day of February 1897.
M. A. Grant. (Seal)

Again, sealed and declared by the said Martha A.
Grant to be her last Will and Testament; in our
presence, who, at her request, and in her presence and
in the presence of each other have subscribed our
names as witnesses hereto. Charles B. Cleveland.

The State of Alabama, I, H. W. of Judge of Probate in
Manning County, I am for said County in said State
do hereby certify, that the within instrument of
Writing, has this day in said Court and before me
as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper
testimony to be the last Will and Testament of
Martha A. Grant, deceased, and that said Will
together with the proper things have been recorded
in my office in Book of Wills B pages 322 & 23
Given under my hand and Seal of Office this the
14th day of February 1898. H. W. of Judge of Probate.

Will of Mrs E. J. Conipton.

This State of Alabama, I, H. W. of Judge of Probate in
Manning County, I do hereby certify, that the within
instrument of Writing, has this day in said Court and before me
as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper
testimony to be the last Will and Testament of
Martha A. Grant, deceased, and that said Will
together with the proper things have been recorded
in my office in Book of Wills B pages 322 & 23
Given under my hand and Seal of Office this the
14th day of February 1898. H. W. of Judge of Probate.

Your petitioner, M. F. Conipton, of said County and
State respectfully represent unto your honor that
the late E. J. Conipton, who was an inhabitant of
this County at the time of her death, departed
this life on the 17th day of September 1897 leaving
a last Will and Testament, duly signed and proved
by her and attested by W. H. Allen and M. A. Hoge
deputies of Jefferson in Manning County, that area
in which will your petitioner is named as Executor.
Which said Will is herewith presented to your
honor and propounded for probate and record
in this Court. That said E. J. Conipton died leaving
no surviving as her heirs at law and next of
kin. 1st your petitioner, a son, and nearly one year
of age, and the foregoing grand children, children
of R. M. Conipton deceased, her son, named Ethel Mary
Conipton age 6 years, and then Alice Conipton age 3 years

and the following deceased named in said Will, Mary Ann Conipton
who is now nearly one year of age and resides in said County, and
Alice Virginia Conipton, the wife of petitioner who is now nearly one
year of age and resides in said County, all of whom are of
sound mind, therefore your petitioner prays that a day be set
for hearing this petition that one and legal notice thereof be
given the next of kin, that guardian be appointed for
said minors, and that such order and decree be made in
the premises as may be requested and proper to effect the an
probate of said Will.
M. F. Conipton.

Known to and subscribed before me this 6th day of October
1897. H. W. of Judge of Probate.

The State of Alabama, Probate Court of Manning County,
Manning County. In the matter of the probate of the
last Will and Testament of E. J. Conipton, deceased.
Before me H. W. of Judge of said Court person duly
appeared M. F. Conipton, who, having been by me first duly
sworn and examined and answered before me and say on oath
that he is a subscribing witness to the instrument in writing
now shown to him, and which purports to be the last
Will and Testament of E. J. Conipton, deceased, let an exhibit
stand of the County of Manning and State of Alabama
that said E. J. Conipton, since deceased, signed and ex-
ecuted the said instrument purporting to be her last
Will and Testament on the day the same bears date
and declare the same to be her last Will and Tes-
tament, and that affiant set his signature there-
to on the day the same bears date as a subscribing
witness to the same, in the presence of said testatrix
and in the presence of the other subscribing witnesses
and at the request of said testatrix; that the other
subscribing witnesses subscribed her name to the same
as a witness at the request of said testatrix and
in the presence of affiant and testatrix; that said
testatrix was of sound mind and disposing memory
and fully capable of making her last Will at
the time the same was made, and executed as
aforesaid, affiant further states that said testatrix
was on the day of the date of said Will of the full
age of twenty one years and upwards.
Sworn to and subscribed this. M. F. Allen
20th day of October 1897. H. W. of Judge of Probate.

State of Alabama, In the name of God Amen
Manning County, I, E. J. Conipton, of Jefferson
Manning County, State of Alabama, being of sound
mind and disposing memory, and mindful of the
Certainty of Death and the uncertainty of life,

do hereby make, publish and declare this my last Will and Testament.

Item 1. It is my will and desire that all of my just debts and funeral expenses, as also a great tombstone to be erected over my grave, shall be paid as soon after my decease as may be practicable and convenient.

Item 2. I give bequeath and devise to my son Guy Crompton, for and during the term of his natural life, all of those certain lands in Manning County, State of Alabama, lying on the one side of Bush's Creek and being along the road leading from Jeffers to the Moscon line from Moscon to Demopolis, and known as the Mitchell place, also one hundred and fifty acres of what is known as the French Place - all of the lands hereby devised and bequeathed being lands which I inherited from my mother Mary E. Smith to have and to hold said property and to enjoy the rents and profits thereof during the term of her life. Upon the death of said my son Guy Crompton, and the termination of the life estate herein bequeathed to her, I give bequeath and devise said above described real estate to the heirs of my son R. McIlwain Crompton.

Item 3. I give bequeath and devise to Alice Virginia Crompton, for and during the term of her natural life, all those certain lands situated in Jeffers precinct, Manning County, State of Alabama known as the William Sumner Place, said lands lying on the public road leading from Jeffers to Demopolis, and more accurately described in the deed from said William Sumner, and T.B. Mercer to me, to which reference is hereby made for an accurate description of the same; to have and to hold the said property and to enjoy the rents and profits thereof during the term of her natural life. Upon the death of said Alice Virginia Crompton and the termination of the life estate herein bequeathed to her, I give, bequeath and devise said above described lands to the heirs of my son William F. Crompton.

Item 4. All of my personal property I give bequeath and devise to my son Guy Crompton and Alice Virginia Crompton, in equal parts share and share alike.

Item 5. I do hereby nominate and appoint W. F. Crompton to be the executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I, the said E. Crompton have to this my last Will and Testament.

Witness my hand and affixing my seal this 27th day of July 1897.
E. Crompton (Seal)
Signed, sealed and declared by the said E. Crompton as his last Will and Testament in the presence of said, who, as he requires, and in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

W. F. Allen, W. A. Shadock.

The State of Alabama, I, H. W. of Judge of Probate Manning County. I am and for said County, hereby certify that the within instrument appearing has this day and in said Court and before me as the Judge thereof been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the last Will and Testament of E. C. Crompton, deceased, and that said Will was together with the said proof thereof has been read in my office in Book of Wills B. pages 347 Et Seq. from under my hand and official seal this 28th day of October 1897.

H. W. of Judge of Probate.

Last Will of Fannie Throgmole.
The State of Alabama To all whom it may Concern Manning County. I, Fannie Throgmole, of said County, do hereby certify that I Fannie Throgmole give of the State and County aforesaid being of the age of twenty one years and upwards and of sound mind and memory, during the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make constitute and declare this to be my last Will and Testament to wit: First I give and bequeath to my son Amos F. Throgmole and my daughter Flora D. Throgmole my home and some land of every description lying in Manning County Alabama, to be owned by them jointly and equally. I have and have also and I further desire said to declare that if the said Amos F. and Flora D. Throgmole should die without issue then the said lands to be equally divided between my other children the surviving sons - It is my will and desire that if the said Amos F. Throgmole should die leaving him surviving the said Flora D. Throgmole then and in that case the whole of the land is to be the property of the said Flora D. Throgmole; and if the said Flora D. Throgmole should die leaving Amos F. Throgmole her surviving then said land is to be the property of the said Amos F. Throgmole and as above said if the said Amos F. and Flora D. Throgmole should die without having children or legal issue then the said land is to be divided equally share and share alike between my children who may then

be living and of the death of the said Duncan &
& Flora D. Threagie any of my other children
shall have any share, having chosen, then it is my desire
that such children having chosen shall have the
interest of their deceased parents in said property.
Third - It is my will and desire and I hereby
direct the said Duncan & Flora D. Threagie
to pay to G. S. Threagie, James H. Threagie
and Sammie W. Threagie the sum they be living at
my death, each, twenty five (\$25.00) dollars & I
hereby bequeath to them the said twenty five
dollars, each, as their part of my said Estate.
Fourth - It is my will and desire and I hereby
bequeath all personal property & household effects
of every description which may be left at
my death, belonging to me to my said children
Duncan & Flora D. Threagie to be owned
and enjoyed by them jointly as a part of their
own and plantation herein bequeathed to them.
In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 10th day of December in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and thirty three - Saml. Threagie (S)

Attest W. M. Cook, S. A. Cook,
Filed for record March 22nd 1895. H. W. of Judge Probate

Will of Fanny S. Floyd, deceased.
The State of Alabama I Fanny S. Floyd of Montgomery
County. Six the State of Alabama
being in failing health, but of sound mind, do
make and publish this my last Will and Testa-
ment, hereby revoking all former wills by me
made at any time heretofore -
First - I direct that my just debts be paid
by my executor hereinafter named as soon
after my death as by him may be found conve-
nient -
Second - I give to my daughter Carrie Ella Floyd
the dwelling house, and twenty three acres of
land situated therein, now occupied by me
as my residence, and all of the house hold and
kitchen furniture contained therein -
Third - To my son Sammie S. Floyd I give
my gold watch -
Fourth - All the real and personal property of my estate
not herein named and devised, of which I have
no legal and possessory or to which I have
no better as my estate, I give and devise and
bequeath to be equally divided between my sons

Lawrence A. Floyd, William F. Floyd and my daughter
Carrie S. Floyd.

Fifth - I hereby appoint my nephew William H. Taylor to be
the executor of this will, without bond.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this
12 day of June 1896. Fanny S. Floyd.

Signed and published as her last Will and Testament
by the said Fanny S. Floyd in our presence and we in her
presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto set
her name as witnesses on the day of the date of said
Will - E. E. Taylor, E. M. Sheppard -

Filed for record April 5th 1896. H. W. of Judge Probate

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