

Brown
Joseph

will and testament in witness whereof I Joseph Brown the said testator have to this my will written on one sheet of my hand and seal the 12th day June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine
Signed sealed and published
In the presence of the Testator and of each other

Attest
George A. Chapman
James Goffine

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William

William Brown of the County of Blount and State of Tennessee do now make and publish my last will and testament as follows: I will do make and publish this instrument as my last will and testamant 1st I desire to be decently buried and that my executors pay the necessary expenses and also the expense of the burial of my father Charles Brown and any other member of my family that may die before me. I direct my executors to deliver immediately after my death to my son William R. Brown my Black Horse with Saddle Bridle and Tack which he may claim all of which I hereby give to him desiring him to attend to the concerns of the family in their absence till he may more arrived to the age of Twenty one years or live longer and as a portion of the property and so with my executors in particular in succession till the time I shall marry, arrive at full age, or remain with the family but a woman not to take such charge till the older shall die, marry or come of full age and leave the family, and which ever of them shall attend to the concerns of the family under this arrangement shall have the management of the farm which now lies or long as my family may reside there on the 24th of August that my executors pay all debts I may owe at my decease, including the justness of demands against my estate to enable my executors to discharge such debts it is my will they pay and as soon as practicable after my decease to collect by sale or otherwise all debts due me in any way whatever and to apply the money so received immediately to the discharge of the debts I may owe paying first those bearing interest, and if after payment of my debts there shall be a surplus of the proceeds of debts due me at the time of my decease, it is my will that my executors dispose of such surplus as hereinafter directed. It is my will that my executors sell at public auction as soon as practicable after my decease on credit of twelve months all the goods wares and merchandise that may be then on hand belonging to any Mercantile establishment I may, but the purchaser must pay interest from the time of purchase the principal and interest to be received by bond and security if not promptly paid and if the debts due me shall turn out not sufficient to pay the debts I may owe I desire my executors to pay the residue out of the proceeds of the sale of said goods wares and merchandise the proceeds of such debt or residue being as the case may be shall be disposed of as herein after directed. It is my will if I die before the time I am now residing in Stock Creek at that place where I now live be finished that my executors shall have said place made according to the terms and plan agreed on in a written contract heretofore made between the town of Knoxville and myself and that they have built my sarcophagus as soon as practicable after my decease and that it be in my tomb and the sarcophagus so

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hereinafter directed. It is further my will and direction that my executors sell my plantation, being a farm consisting of a plantation on the public road above Robert Thornton's & about three hundred and nine or ten acres, on the tract of fifty five acres on the ridge North of the place last described and call these houses and lots in the town of Knoxville. The above described property my executors are empowered to sell either of public or private sale or any part thereof either by dividing the place or lots or selling the place together. They may rec for ready money or on a credit as shall seem them most advisable. The sale or sales to be made at any time before my death and shall commence at the age of Seventy one years and if not sooner done they shall then be made, and the proceeds of such sale or sales shall be divided of as herein after directed. It is my will that my wife and family shall reside in the place above named and live together & shall appear to my executors money for the maintenance or interest of my family that they remove to any other place such removal is to be directed by my executors, and it is my will that my family remain accordingly. Whether my family reside where I now live or elsewhere while they live together as a family and while my wife shall remain single, as the head of my family or such of them as my wife with her it is my will that my executors leave with such my family, such of my personal estate including my slaves, as may be necessary for the support and maintenance of such family according to their circumstances and deign in life. If that shall be more slaves and personal property than any two there in the judgment of my executors may be necessary for the purpose herein stated, said executors are directed to make sale thereof and to dispose of the same for the support of the family. Provided, If at any time my wife and child do not live together, and no longer live together as a family, either from the marriage of my wife, death or other cause, it is my will that my executors then sell all my personal property and slaves and put out the farm on which I now live, together with my wife, as herein after directed. It is my direction that when my youngest living child arrives at the age of twenty one years my executors sell the plantation with the lands above described for a just cash down all ready money or on a credit of One Eighteen and twenty four months holding land and good security for the purchase money bearing interest from the date of sale to my will and desire that my executors keep all the money arising from my estate, at interest to the best advantage in eight and nine as may be necessary for them to comply with the directions of this will. It is my will that my father Charles Brown be supported during his life out of my estate by my executors of whom the desire that of the education of my children as herein directed as a final settlement of my whole estate that the same be equally divided to my wife and children share and share alike, and if any of my children shall die before that time bearing lawful issue, such issue to have the share of said child, and if of any of my children while die before the age of Twenty one without issue then it is my will that the share of said child be equally divided among my surviving children. It also my executors out of any money in their hands to pay over to each of my children as they may respectfully money or annuity at full age such sum as may be necessary to advance them in the world.

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taking care not to pay thus more than two thirds of their respective shares or less to which they will be entitled or said distribution and such amount shall be taken into this estimate or said distribution and be charged against such child or children as may have received the sum off my funds to be apportioned as aforesaid my wife still living I direct my executors to pay my wife such sum as may be necessary for her support as that they do not pay her more than will be due her in said distribution as herein before stated & I hereby appoint my friends David C. Bragg and Peter Davis guardians of my children William R. Brown & Edred H. Brown John H. Brown David A. Brown and Elizabeth Ann Brown and it is my will and desire that said guardians or the survivors hereof each of my children educated. It is my desire that each of my children receive a complete English education in every branch. And said guardian or survivors be directed to draw on my executors for the funds necessary to educate my said children, and my executors are hereby required to pay the same. If my family be separated I desire said guardians or survivors may provide a home for my children and draw where my executors for funds necessary to maintain them & it is my will that my wife & children be supported and my children educated out of the proceeds of my will and farm which now live till the same are to be sold as far as practicable and if any of my negroes turn out to be refractory or disobedient or if in the opinion of my executors it will be best to sell them they have the power to sell such slave or slaves and are directed to divide one half of the purchase money as the monies belonging to my estate I direct my executors to pay all taxes due or to become due on my property at will the same be sold & I die on the 9th day of April 1832 enter into a written contract with Nathaniel Harris about his land that may be encumbered by my wife during my life and I direct my executors to convey with said contract on my part and to pay him what I have agreed to pay. Lastly I hereby appoint my friends William C. Ward and Amos C. Brown as the executors of this my last will and testament and if either shall die the survivor to be my sole executor and have power to do any and every thing that my executors are authorized and directed to do in and by this will.

In testimony of all which I have written set my hand and seal this 10th day of April in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty.
William Brown Seal

Signed sealed and published as the last will and testament of William Brown in our presence we saw the testator sign and seal the same and were requested by him to sign the same as attesting witness which was done in his presence and in the presence of each other on this 10th day of April 1832
David B. Stifton
Elijah Koske
John Stark
Spencer K. Ward

Bill
George

In the name of God Amen I Doe make Bill of the County of Belmont and State of Tennessee being infirm of body but of sound mind and memory taking into consideration the certainty of my dissolution in mortal and deposit this my last will and testament. And first I resign my body to the Lord wheresoever it came and my soul to God who gave it my funeral

By
George

1832
March 11th

expenses to be paid out of my estate and all my just debts of any to be paid in like manner. The disposition of my worldly estate is as follows To my beloved Children John Brown & Elizabeth Margaret Brown I give and bequeath all that which they have received of my estate. To my son Thomas Bill in addition to what he has received I give and bequeath the grey horse named Bill now in my possession.

It is my will and desire that my son Samuel S. Bill continue to occupy the place where he now resides and that my daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Bill continue to occupy the place which they now reside in and they respectively occupying the houses which they now occupy and in case they continue to live thus together especially my will and testament is as follows to my son Samuel S. Bill I give and bequeath two horse beasts my waggon and all my farming utensils except my wind mill and while my above named son and daughter continue to occupy as aforesaid my son Samuel S. Bill is to farm the plantation and to give my said daughter one third of the above product.

Other I give and bequeath to my three daughters last named all my household and kitchen furniture and further I give and bequeath to my said daughter one Piggy man named Estate and one colt all my stock of cattle and horses except one white heifer which I will and bequeath to my colored man Joe Penn I do will by this my last testament that the said James Bill be kept for work and forever free. But in case my son Samuel S. Bill and my daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Bill do not continue to live agreeably as aforesaid then my said plantation and my Windmill to be sold and my son Samuel S. Bill to have the half of the price thereof and my said daughters the other half I make the following dispositions of my books to my son of the 1st Bill I give and bequeath Peale's Illustrations to my daughter Catherine Johnson my large Bible and Psalm book to my daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Sevier communicating the balance of my books to be equally divided among my children Samuel S. Bill Mary P. Bill Elizabeth Bill Thomas Bill and the heirs of Margaret New designee and at first I made and bequeath my copy of the P. Bill and Andrew Murray Sir. Executing of this my last will and testament signed and sealed this 11th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine J. John Eggleston George Bill Seal Attest) David Stifton

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(Signed)

In the name of God Amen I Doe make Bill of the County of Belmont and County of Blount being weak in Body though of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body do make and appoint this as my last will and testament and first I give and bequeath my estate to God that give it and my body to the dust from whence it was taken to be buried in a Christian decency at the discretion of my Executors and as to the people into that it has pleased god to bless me with it is my will