

WILL OF WILLIAM LESSIG.

I, William Lessig being of sound mind and memory do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills.

1. I will and direct that all my funeral expenses and all just debts shall be paid as soon as they can be paid by the living heirs.

2. I will and bequeath to my grand son W. L. Culbertson that part of my farm in Walker Valley lying north of the Water gap and that the same is described in a survey made by John Blackburn, B. C. S. to the water gap, thence west of the creek fifty feet, thence south to the center of the lane, thence west to the section line, thence north to the north west corner of Section 15, fifteen, T. 2, R. 1, W.

3. And in consideration thereof W. L. Culbertson shall deliver to Ella E. Culbertson one-fourth of all proceeds after my death as long as his mother may live, in her own right.

4. I bequeath to Clara and Mary Culbertson all the land south and east of the lane described with all the improvements thereon, household goods and all my moveable property at my death.

5. And that the driveway from the Cleveland and Charleston road shall be kept as it is open as it is for the use of parties named herein, and that the timber lands shall not be divided by a fence.

6. It is my request that the parties named herein will provide and care for their mother as long as she may live, and that shall be the consideration.

7. I hereby appoint Alonzo Cowan Executor.

Whereunto I set my hand and seal this six day May, 1902.

William Lessig.

Witness:

T. A. Cowan,

J. B. Martin.

PROBATE. DECEMBER 13, 1902.

It appearing to the Court that William Lessig lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court T. A. Cowan, one of the attesting witnesses thereto, and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said William Lessig, deceased, and asked that the

same be admitted to probate. And T. A. Cowan and J. B. Martin, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, after being duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said William Lessig signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses, and the said testator was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time. It is therefore adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said William Lessig, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this Court, together with this probate.

WILL OF J. M. TREWHITT.

A correct map
of my home
place.

J. M. Trehwitt.

Lot No. 4, 93 Acres & 8 Poles

Lot No. 3, 93 Acres & 82 Poles

Lot No. 2, 86 Acres & 140 Poles

Lot No. 1, 82 Acres & 20 Poles

I, James M. Trehwitt of the County of Bradley and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, to wit:

First. All my just debts and funeral expenses shall be fully paid.

Second. I give devise and bequeath all of my home tract of land (as laid down per map above) and all other lands of which I may die seized and possessed, wherever situated whether the title be legal or equitable, and all my money, notes, accounts and all the properties of which I may die owner, whether real, personal or mixed, I give devise and bequeath to my wife Christian to have hold use and enjoy in trust for the joint benefit of herself and four children,

to wit, Susanah E., Levi, Daniel C., and James A. Trehwitt, for and during her natural life, and at my said wife's death, then, I give and devise the fee simple and absolute title to all said properties unconsented to the above named children share and share alike, and that part of said properties which may go to my daughter Susanah E. to be taken holden and enjoyed by her to her sole and separate use benefit and behoof excludng entirely the marital rights of any husband in all respects, and the rights of any creditor or creditors of such husband. The land of my home tract as shown by the aforesaid map, to be divided equally between my four children, Susanah E., Levi, Daniel C., and James A. Trehwitt, after my wife's death. First, I give devise and bequeath to my son Levi lot number one as shown on the above map, beginning at the north west corner of (at No. 1 on the section line, running south twenty west one hundred and two (102) poles to a corner near the creek bank, thence in an eastern direction up the center of the creek running with the meanders of said creek to where the section line crosses the creek, thence one hundred (100) poles to the east boundary south east corner of the eighty acre tract that my dwelling house is on, thence eighty (80) poles along the line that divides the aforesaid eighty acre tract and the land known as the Johnston land, thence westerly with the line that divides the aforesaid eighty and Hendersons land one hundred and sixty (160) poles to the beginning, being (after excludng ~~the~~ acres and three poles advanced to Daniel C. Trehwitt), Eighty two (82 A.) acres and twenty (20) poles more or less.

Second. I give devise and bequeath to my son Daniel C. Trehwitt in addition to two (2) acres and three (3) poles that I have heretofore gave him as an advancement, Lot Number two (No. 2) as marked on the above map, beginning on the Section line where my land and Harriet McCroskeys forty acres corner, thence with the line between my land and the aforesaid Harriet McCroskey's forty acres south twenty west fifty two (52) poles to a corner, thence at a right angle parallel with the section line two hundred and eighty (280) poles to a corner on the eastern boundary of my land fifty (52) poles south twenty west of the south east corner of Lot number one, thence with the said boundary line to the aforesaid corner, thence westerly with the section line one hundred (100) poles to where the section line crosses the creek, thence down the center of the main channel of the creek to the south west corner of lot marked number one on the map, thence north with the

section line twenty two (22) poles to the rock corner of the section and forty (40) acre lot that the dwelling house is on, thence west with the section line one hundred and twenty (120) poles to the beginning corner containing eighty six acres (86) one hundred and forty (140) poles more or less.

Third. I give devise and bequeath to my son James A. Trehwitt the Lot number three (No. 3) as marked on the map beginning on the south east corner of lot marked number two (No. 2) running west a parallel line with the section line two hundred and eighty (280) poles to the south west corner of lot number two (No. 2) as marked on the above map, thence south twenty west fifty four poles (54), thence easterly a parallel line with the section line one hundred and twenty (120) poles to the section line running south twenty west, thence with the aforesaid line fourteen (14) poles, thence easterly a parallel line as marked on the map fifty one (51) poles near the creek and foot of the hill called the bluff, thence up the center of the creek with the meanders of the creek to where a parallel line of fifty four (54) poles crosses the creek, thence with said parallel line five (5) poles, thence in a northern direction with the line that runs back of the field thirteen (13) poles, thence a parallel line as shown on the map eighty (80) poles to the eastern boundary line, thence north with said line forty one (41) poles to the beginning, containing Ninety three acres (93 A.) and eighty two (82) poles more or less.

Fourth. I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Susanah E. Trehwitt the lot, tract, piece or parcel of land marked as number four (No. 4) described as follows: Beginning at the south west corner of lot number three (No. 3) as marked on the map running south twenty (20) west fifty four (54) poles to the south west corner of the whole entire tract of land, thence in an eastern direction with the line marked on the map as quarter section line Newell & Ingrahams two acre (2 A.) piece or parcel of land near the old saw dust pile and creek, thence in a northern direction with the said two (2) acre line to the north west corner of the aforesaid two (2) acres, thence in an eastern direction along the aforesaid two (2) line to the eastern boundary line of the whole entire tract of land, thence along said line fifty (50) poles to the south east corner of lot marked number three (No. 3), thence westerly eighty (80) poles,

thence south twenty (20) west thirteen (13) poles, thence in a western direction five (5) poles to the creek, thence down the creek of the main channel of the creek to the corner near the creek and bluff, thence a parallel line with the line marked as quarter section line fifty one (51) poles to the section line, thence in a northern direction along the section line fourteen (14) poles, thence westerly on a parallel line one hundred and twenty (120) poles to the beginning containing Ninety three acres (93 A.) and seventy eight (78) poles more or less.

Seventh. I will and devise that each one of the children or their representatives give the right at least of one way at some suitable place for to make a road through their respective share for their mutual benefit to pass and repass.

Eight. I nominate and appoint my son Levi Trehwitt to be the Executor of this my last will and testament, requiring no bond whatever from him the said Levi Trehwitt, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of March, A. D. 1891.

James M. Trehwitt (Seal).

Signed, sealed, published and declared as and for his last will and testament by the above named testator, in our presence, who have at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other, signed our names as witnesses thereto.

Levi Trehwitt,

Thomas T. Trehwitt.

P R O B A T E. FEBRUARY 4, 1903.

It appearing to the Court that J. M. Trehwitt has lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, at his late residence, and came into open Court Levi Trehwitt, son of said testator, and the person named as the Executor thereof, and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said J. M. Trehwitt, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate. And came into open Court Levi Trehwitt, one of the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that he was present with the other attesting witness, Thomas T. Trehwitt who has since departed this life and his testimony therefore cannot be had, when the said J. M. Trehwitt signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament on the day it bears date, and that he signed the same in his presence, and that he and the other attesting witness

signed said paper writing in the presence of the testator, at his request and in the presence of each other, and that the testator was at the time of sound mind and disposing memory.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said J. M. Trewitt, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF W. H. WEATHERLY.

I, W. H. Weatherly being of sound mind and body and disposing memory, and desiring while in that condition to direct the disposition of my property after my death do therefore hereby make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me.

1st. I desire that my body, after death, shall be decently interred with Christian rites &c., and that all my just debts be paid as soon as practicable by my Executors out of funds on hand or coming to their hands out of my estate.

2. I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Rebecca T. Weatherly all my household and kitchen furniture (except one bureau, one organ and two bedsteads and bed clothing complete). I also give her two horses, or one horse and one mule, or two mules - the two to be selected by her out of stock on hand at my demise, also two cows and calves to be selected by her, also all the farming tools on the home farm, one two horse wagon and harness, and one buggy and harness, all the hogs on hand, also money or money and provisions amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars, all the poultry on hand and such books on hand as she may select. I also give and devise to my said wife about one hundred and seventy (170) acres of land being all that part of the home place lying north of the branch, except 7 acres off the west end of an eighty acre tract adjoining W. G. Weatherly's farm, about 4 1/2 acres of said exception being grass land or meadow, and 2 1/2 acres being corn land.

The above devise of said land-I make to my said wife for and during her natural life with the remainder in fee to my two living children by said wife equally, to wit, Hettie and Charles Weatherly, and I give Three Hundred Dollars to John Kennedy, son of my daughter Elizabeth Kennedy now deceased, to be paid to him by said Hettie and Charles at or after the death of my said wife, and I make the said \$300.00 a specific charge on said land after the death of my said wife.

3d. I give and devise to my son W. G. Weatherly the 7 acres of land above specified and excepted out of the home place adjoining said W. G. Weatherly's land, but I charge said seven acres with \$250.00 to be promptly paid by said W. G. Weatherly to my grand daughter Sallie Ramsey, daughter of Dr. G. A. Ramsey.

4. I devise to my daughter, Mrs. Sarah L. Morelock, wife of William Morelock, my one-half undivided interest in the balance of a one hundred

and sixty acres of land bought by myself and W. G. Weatherly from estate of Thomas H. Callaway, deceased, and known in the family as the Callaway tract.

5th. I devise to my daughter Mrs. Rachel T. Miller, wife of Morris Miller, forty acres of land, being the north-east corner of the north-east quarter of Section 25, fractional township 2 south and range one west of the basis line, Ocoee District, Bradley County, Tennessee, being the place where she now lives, with all the improvements thereon. I also give and devise to my said daughter Mrs. Miller 29 acres of land, being the south-east corner of the south-east quarter of section 24, fractional township 2, range one west of the Basis line, Ocoee District, beginning at a post oak tree in the lane on a line between the Montgomery farm and the Lusk farm, running thence North with said lane 50 poles, thence east 92 poles to the Basis line, thence south with the basis line 50 poles, thence west 92 poles to the beginning. But I charge said two pieces of land with \$200.00 to be promptly paid by said Mrs. Miller to my daughter, Mrs. M. E. Jones, wife of W. D. Jones.

6th. I devise to Martha P. Blackburn, wife of John S. Blackburn, and Emma C. Blackburn, wife of Jesse Blackburn, my daughters, my undivided half interest in 280 acres of land known as the Wm. Harrel, Peter White and Hamilton White farm, the other half of said land being owned by Martha McCulley.

7th. I give and devise to my sons John W. and Henry B. Weatherly equally the south half of the North-east quarter of section 24, township 2, range one west of the basis line, Ocoee district, also 63 acres adjoining the above 80 acres on the south. But I here charge said two pieces of land with \$200.00 to be by them promptly paid to Mrs. M. E. Jones, wife of W. D. Jones, and \$200.00 to be promptly paid by them to R. W. Weatherly.

8th. I give and devise to my daughter, Mrs. C. P. Jones, wife of J. W. Jones, my undivided half interest in the carding machine.

9th. I give and bequeath to Dr. G. A. Ramsey \$50.00 to be paid out of my general estate.

10. All other money, property and effects that I may have at my decease, and not specifically disposed of above shall be equally divided among my children above named and my grand children above named.

Lastly. I hereby nominate and appoint my sons W. G. Weatherly and R. W. Weatherly my executors to execute this my last will, and reposing in them the utmost confidence as to their honesty and integrity I especially direct that they shall not be required to give any bond and security as such executors.

In testimony hereof, I, W. H. Weatherly do hereto subscribe my name and affix my seal, this the 22nd day of August, 1896.

W. H. Weatherly (Seal).

The foregoing will was this day signed by said testator in our presence, and declared by him to be his last will, and we at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other hereto subscribe our names as attesting witnesses. This the 22nd day of August, 1896.

J. A. Steed

S. P. Gaut.

PROBATE. APRIL 6, 1903.

It appearing to the Court that W. H. Weatherly lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into Court R. W. Weatherly one of the persons named as the Executor therein, and presented to the a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said W. H. Weatherly, deceased, and asked that the same be probated. And came along with him J. A. Steed, one of the subscribing witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that he was present with the other attesting witness, S. P. Gaut, who has since departed this life and whose testimony therefore cannot be had, when the said W. H. Weatherly signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that he and the other attesting witness signed said paper writing at the request of the testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, as attesting witnesses, and that said testator was at the time of sound mind and disposing memory.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said W. H. Weatherly, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF ROBERT ALEXANDER LAWSON.

I, Robert Alexander Lawson, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.

FIRST: I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, out of any monies that I may die possessed of or may come into the hands of my executor.

SECONDLY: I give and bequeath to my wife Lula Lawson all of my property both real and personal.

LASTLY: I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife Lula Lawson to execute this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I do to this, my will, set my hand, this the 8th day of April, 1903.

Witnesses:

Robert Alexander ^{his} Lawson _{mark}

W. R. Marshall, Alex Campbell, W. B. Campbell.

Signed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator. This the 8th day of April, 1903.

W. R. Marshall, Alex Campbell.

W. B. Campbell.

PROBATE, MAY 11, 1903.

It appearing to the Court that Robert Alexander Lawson has lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court Lula Lawson, widow of said decedent, and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Robert Alexander Lawson, and asked that the same be admitted to probate, and came along with her W. R. Marshall, Alex Campbell and W. B. Campbell, attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who after being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were present when the said Robert Alexander Lawson signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other signed their names thereto as attesting witnesses, and that said testator was at the time of signing same of sound mind and disposing memory. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Robert Alexander Lawson, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF ED. BOWMAN.

I, Ed Bowman, of the County of Bradley, State of Tennessee, do make and publish this, my last will and testament, revoking all former wills.

First, -I direct, That all my just debts be paid.

Second, -I will and bequeath all of my personal property and all the real estate that I may die seized and possessed of to my beloved wife, Mattie, as long as she may remain single, or until her death, then it is my will that if she intermarries or at the death of my said wife or her ^{marriage} then all of my said property to revert to my legal heirs and representatives.

I hereby name and appoint my said wife, Mattie, as my Executrix of this my last will and testament. This April the 3rd, 1903.

(SEAL) Ed Bowman.

Witness.

The foregoing will was signed by the testator in our presence and we attested the same in his presence and at his request.

This April the 3rd, 1903.

E. L. Knox,

J. P. Bates.

Probate, July 6, 1903.

It appearing to the Court, that Ed Bowman departed this life testate, and that he left a written will and came into open Court, Mattie Bowman, widow of said decedent, and presented to the Court a paper-writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Ed Bowman, deceased, and ask that the same be admitted to probate. And came along with her E. L. Knox and J. P. Bates, the subscribing witnesses to said paper-writing, who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were present when the said Ed Bowman signed said paper-writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper-writing as attesting witnesses, and that said testator was at the time of sound mind and disposing memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged, decreed by the Court, That said paper-writing is as it purports to be the last will and testament of said Ed Bowman, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this Court together with this order of probate.

And it appearing from said will that Mattie Bowman, widow of the decedent, is named as the Executrix thereof, and she in open Court ask for letters testamentary, the Court orders such issue to her as Executrix

aforesaid upon her giving bond and qualifying as the law directs which is done.

And thereupon Court adjourned.

WILL OF D. S. RUSSELL.

Know all men by these presents that I, D. S. Russell, of the County of Bradley and State of Tennessee, of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void any and all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1st. I will and direct my Executor hereinafter appointed to pay my funeral expenses and my just debts out of the first money coming into his hands.

Item 2nd. I will, bequeath and devise to my brother Taylor Russell all of my interest in and to the farm on which I now live. Said farm is located in the 11th district of Bradley County, and contains one hundred and sixty-two acres, together with all the farming tools on said farm at my death.

Item 3rd. I will and bequeath to my niece Sallie Russell, the daughter of Taylor Russell, one wardrobe, one feather bed and one wash stand if on hand at my death.

Item 4th. I hold a note on my brother W. H. Russell, for the sum of about eight hundred dollars, and a note on my brother-in-law, J. G. Stuart, for the sum of two hundred dollars. If the above two notes are on hand at my death, I direct my Executor hereinafter appointed to cancel said two notes and deliver them up to the parties mentioned in this item of my will or their legal representatives.

Item 5th. I will, bequeath and devise to James McKamy, T. L. Gate, W. E. Rucker, J. S. Robertson, S. B. Cooper, J. H. Mulkey, F. Brown, G. M. Bazemore and J. H. Gant, Elders of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, an unincorporated body of religious persons, located in Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee, in trust and their successors in office, for the use and benefit of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church located in Cleveland, all of the residue of my property, both real and personal, of every kind and character, including all moneys, stock and implements not mentioned in the preceding items of this will, together with any of the household goods not mentioned, to be held, used and invested for the benefit and support of said Church.

Item 6th. Reposing full confidence in the honesty and integrity of James McKamy I hereby nominate him Executor of this my last will and testament and excuse him from making bond. This Aug. 23rd, 1899.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, this August 23rd, 1899.
D. S. Russell.

Signed in our presence, and we have become subscribing witnesses hereto at the instance and request of the testator.

August 23rd, 1899.

John L. Smith,

J. F. Fender.

PROBATE. SEPTEMBER 18, 1903.

It appearing to the Court that D. S. Russell lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and that he left a written will. And came into open Court James McKamy, the person named as the Executor of said will, and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said D. S. Russell, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate as and for the last will and testament of the said D. S. Russell, deceased, and came along with him John L. Smith, one of the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, (J. F. Fender, the other attesting witnesses, and he having removed from the State of Tennessee, and being a non-resident of the State, his testimony therefore cannot be had), who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that he and the other attesting witness were present when the said D. S. Russell signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses thereto, and that said testator was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is, as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said D. S. Russell, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this Court.

WILL OF WILSON WATTENBARGER.

Be it known that I Wilson Wattenbarger of the County of Bradley and State of Tennessee, do this day make this my last will and testament in manner following:

First: I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may ^{first} come into the hands of my representatives or executor.

Second. I direct that my wife Mary A. Wattenbarger is to have a support out of the proceeds of the farm as long as she lives.

3rd. I direct that my son William D. Wattenbarger have eighty-five acres timber land it being a portion of the Wilson land lying next to G. W. Wagoner; also seventy acres more or less of cleared land out of the Wilson land lying next to J. K. Johnston bounded as follows: Beginning at the east end of the lane between me and Mrs. Humphreys and running to a spring at the head of a ditch and with said ditch to the branch and on to a bluff and with said bluff to where the bluff makes a bend and from said bend to the ford of the C. C. Creek. Thence with the creek down to a rock on the line with J. K. Johnston. Thence north with said line to a corner, thence west with the line to a corner between me and Mrs. Humphreys, thence with the Humphreys line to the mouth of the lane the beginning.

4th. I direct that my son W. E. Wattenbarger have the land dower of Mrs. Wilson, about one hundred and fifty acres more or less where the old homestead house stands; also the land lying east of creek it being twelve acres more or less. Also two acres more or less from Ford Creek running to the line where my son W. D. Wattenbarger is at the bluff. Also twenty acres timber land of the 40 acres that was laid off for said Wilson dower.

5th. I direct that my daughter A. B. Wattenbarger have the remainder of my timber land consisting of one hundred and thirty seven acres more or less. Also sixty acres more or less it being the remainder of the Wilson land not given to my 2 sons W. E. & W. D. Wattenbarger. And further I give to my son W. D. Wattenbarger three acres more or less on which he built house. And to my daughter A. B. Wattenbarger the house and lot on which I now live, three acres more or less - estimated.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal. This Oct 15th, 1903. Wilson Wattenbarger.

I, Wilson Wattenbarger do appoint W. E. Wattenbarger as my Executor to wind up my business. I don't require to give bond.

W. Wattenbarger.

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the testator.

R. H. McPherson.

F. H. Johnston.

P R O B A T E. DECEMBER 1, 1903.

It appearing to the Court that Wilson Wattenbarger lately departed this life in Bradley County, Tennessee, testate, and came into open Court W. E. Wattenbarger and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Wilson Wattenbarger, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record. And came into open Court R. H. McPherson and F. H. Johnston, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said Wilson Wattenbarger signed or acknowledged signing said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they signed the same at his request and in his presence, and that said testator was at the time of sound mind and disposing memory.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Wilson Wattenbarger, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

W I L L O F C A R O L I N E A R M I S T R O N G.

The last will of Caroline Armstrong.

I Caroline Armstrong do hereby make, publish and declare this as my last will and testament and do hereby revoke and make void all other wills by me at any time heretofore made.

1st. I desire that after my death that all of my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon as my executor can collect or realize on my estate, and said executor shall have my grave put in good condition and if he should have the funds in his hands then he will put a cheap stone at my grave.

2nd. I give, devise and bequeath to Annie Boyd for her sole and separate use and benefit all the remainder of my property and effects of whatever kind, whether real or personal or mixed and wherever situated. This will is made to the said Annie Boyd because she has kept and supported me in my old age and at whose house I expect to die.

She is also retain all my household furniture now in her possession and after all debts are paid as above said all the money that may be left on hand.

3rd. I nominate and appoint John Trunk Executor of this my last will and testament and direct that he be excused from bond or held to account for any of his acts in the premises.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand to this my last will and testament in the presence of the subscribing witnesses who sign the same at my request, in my presence and in the presence of each other on this April 5th, 1903.

Witness :

Caroline ^{her} ~~mark~~ Armstrong

P. W. Surguine

T. M. Montgomery.

P R O B A T E. DECEMBER 1, 1903.

It duly appearing to the Court that Caroline Armstrong lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court John Trunk and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of said Caroline Armstrong, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record. And came T. M. Montgomery, one of the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, the other attesting witness, P. W. Surguine, being a non-resident of the State and his testimony therefore cannot be had, who after being

first duly sworn, deposed and said that he and the other attesting witness were present when the said Caroline Armstrong signed said paper writing as and for her last will and testament, and that he and the other attesting witness signed the same at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other as subscribing witnesses, and that said testatrix was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Caroline Armstrong, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF ADAM CARPENTER AND
ISABEL CARPENTER.

Know all men by these presents that we Adam Carpenter and Isabel Carpenter of the County of Bradley and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make publish and declare this to be our last will and testament to wit:

- 1st. All our just debts and funeral expenses first fully paid.
- 2nd. We give, devise and bequeath all the rest of our estate both real and personal consisting of 40 acres of land where we now live, stock, wagons, tools, notes, household goods &c. to our nephew Adam Marion Melson and our niece Mary Ann Melson to have and to hold to them A. M. Melson and sister M. A. Melson and to their heirs and assigns forever.

The consideration of this will is for taking care of us in our old age and is to take effect when we depart this life.

his
Adam X Carpenter
mark
her
Isabel X Carpenter
mark

In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed
our names this March the 16th 1903.

This will was signed in our presence at their request and in the presence of each other we sign our names as witnesses thereto.

H. L. Hampton
W. M. Hicks.

It duly appearing to the Court that Adam Carpenter and Isabel Carpenter have lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court A. M. Melson and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Adam Carpenter and Isabel Carpenter, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate as and for their last will and testament, and came along with him H. L. Hampton and W. M. Hicks, the subscribing witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were present when the said Adam Carpenter and Isabel Carpenter signed said paper writing as and for their last will and testament, and that they signed the same as attesting witnesses at the request of said testator and testatrix and in their presence and in the presence of each other, and that they were of sound mind and memory. It is ordered and decreed that said paper writing is the last will and testament of the said Adam Carpenter and Isabel Carpenter, deceased, and the and the Clerk will record the same in the will book of this Court.

WILL OF MARY J. TEAGUE.

I, Mary J. Teague of Cleveland, Tennessee, do make, declare and publish this as my last will and testament.

First. I will that all my just debts be paid.

Second. I will, devise and bequeath to my beloved sister. B. Teague all my estate real and personal and especially all my undivided interest in the house and lot in Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee, where we now live and which was deeded to us by our sister Elizabeth Grigsty by deed registered in the Register's office in said County in Book K pages 197-8 and which is all the real estate I own in Cleveland. In witness whereof in the presence of the undersigned witnesses I hereto subscribe my name, this March the day 1890.

M. J. Teague.

Witnesses: J. K. Brown.

Attest. B. F. Culbertson.

PROBATE. DECEMBER 21, 1903.

It appearing to the Court that Mary J. Teague lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court John Trunk and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Mary J. Teague, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and came along with him J. K. Brown and B. F. Culbertson, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who after being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said Mary J. Teague signed said paper writing as and for her last will and testament; and that they signed the same at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other as attesting witnesses, and that the testatrix was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be the last will and testament of the said Mary J. Teague, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF M. OLNEY.

Cleveland, Tenn. Jan. 7th 1904.

To any and all whom it may concern.

This is to certify I this day choose and appoint Miss Emma Talley (Cleveland Tenn) my guardian and Administrator to attend and wind up all my business in Tennessee and I do not require her (of my own free will) to give security or make bond.

After all expense and bequests are settled the balance is to be sent to a party in Ohio a Mr. E. D. Billings to be disposed of as directed.

I bequeath to Charley Talley, wife and son One hundred dollars each, to Miss Emma Talley one hundred dollars, to Mrs. S. T. Talley and her daughters Mrs. Corda Walker and Tennie Talley fifty dollars each.

M. Olney.

Witnessed by:

W. E. Rucker

S. T. Talley.

PROBATE. JANUARY 15, 1904.

It appearing to the court that M. Olney lately departed this life testate in Cleveland, Bradley county, Tennessee, and came into open court Miss Emma Talley and presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said M. Olney, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record as and for the last will and testament of the said M. Olney, deceased, and came along with her W. E. Rucker and S. T. Talley, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said M. Olney signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses, and that the testator was of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said M. Olney, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF JULIUS HARDWICK.

I, Julius Hardwick, a resident of Cleveland, Bradley county, Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament, revoking all others by me heretofore made.

Item first: After my death I desire that my entire estate, real, personal and mixed, be taken charge of by my brother G. L. Hardwick, of Cleveland, Tennessee, and my wife's brother, R. H. Jones, of Cedartown, Georgia, whom I name and appoint co-executors of this my will, with the provision that in the case of the death, inability or omission to qualify, of either one, the other may then, and I specially so direct, act singly and alone, and exercise all the powers and rights hereinafter set out, I having full faith and confidence in both or either to serve well, and to the interest and well being of the legatees of my estate, herein named. But I ask that they fully and freely advise with my brothers R. T. Hardwick and J. H. Hardwick, all or either of them, and my said brothers, or such of them as may be living when the contingency now mentioned may arise, shall have the power to nominate for appointment by the proper court, an administrator with this will annexed, and in the event of the death or disability of both of my above named executors.

Item second: After taking charge of my estate, I desire and direct that out of the first available funds coming into their hands as Executors, all just debts and demands against me be fully paid off and discharged.

Item third: I desire and direct that my estate be kept together in tact and undivided until the youngest of my children now living or that may hereafter be born, shall reach the age of twenty-one years. I desire and direct that the income, or so much of it as may be necessary, or so much of the corpus of my estate as may be necessary, be used from time to time as may be needed to properly support and care for my wife and children, and to educate the children in such way and to such extent as my executors may deem best, leaving the matter of the yearly expenditure for said purposes to be determined by my executors or executor hereinbefore named.

Item four: When my youngest child shall have attained the age of twenty-one years, I desire and direct that the residue of my

estate be equally divided between my beloved wife, Estelle, and my children Richard Holmes and Florine, and my child or children that may be born to me and my beloved wife, Estelle, share and share alike - that is to say, my estate is to be shared in equally by my children and my wife, with this provision, however, that in case of the death of any child without issue, or of my beloved wife prior to the time appointed and named in this will for the distribution of my estate, then, and in that event, such part of my estate as would have gone to said deceased will go to the other legatees named herein; or to the child or children, if my deceased child shall leave child or children surviving, then the portion which would have gone to said deceased child is to go to the children surviving him or her. And in the event that my wife should terminate her widowhood, I desire and direct that the estate be divided only among my children, and the children of any child of mine that may have died, as hereinbefore directed, but with the direction that in no event, and under no circumstances is my wife to suffer for necessary sustenance and support in a manner suited to her station, to be left to the discretion of my executors, so long as any part of my estate remains undivided in the hands of my executors. However, should my children by my beloved wife, Estelle, die without issue before my said wife dies and before a distribution of my estate, then and in that event my whole estate shall go to my beloved wife, Estelle, for and during her natural life, and upon her death, my estate shall go to my legal representatives to be distributed according to the laws of descent and distribution of the State of Tennessee. The provision for my wife in this item is to be in lieu of dower and all further charge upon my estate.

Item five: I desire and direct that my said executors be relieved of from making inventory or bond and giving security as executors to any court, or from making annual returns of their actings and doing as such executors to any court, as I have full faith and confidence in their integrity to execute, and trust them to execute this will faithfully and honestly, and to the best interests of my legatees.

Item six: In case it should be legally necessary that guardians should be appointed for my minor children, I hereby name and appoint my said executors as guardians for any of my children for whom it may be necessary to have guardianship; and in case of the death or disability of either of my said executors, then the survivor to be the guardian of such of my children as may require a guardian, and I relieve him or them,

so far as I am able to do, from giving bond and security as such guardian or guardians, or from making annual returns to any court of their actings and doings as such.

Item seven: I desire and direct that any moneys that may be realized upon any policy of life insurance that I may ~~have~~ become a part of my estate, regardless of the beneficiaries in such policies named, and that the money so arising be administered and distributed under the provisions of this will, as any other property, real or personal, belonging to me at my death shall be administered and distributed under this will. But if any beneficiary named in any life insurance policy shall receive any money arising therefrom, otherwise than under the provisions of this will, then I direct that my estate shall be distributed, taking into consideration any such benefit as any beneficiary may receive from the policy - that is to say, if any beneficiary named in any life insurance policy shall receive any amount of money therefrom, the amount so received shall be charged up to said beneficiary and accounted for by said beneficiary in the final distribution of my estate, so that no greater share shall go to any legatee under this will than to the others. An equal division of all my property, including my life insurance policies, is the testamentary scheme herein adopted.

Item eight: I have strong fatherly solicitude that the children born to myself and ^{my} beloved wife, shall finally enjoy the portion of my estate to her herein bequeathed, or such part of it as may not have been consumed in the using during her life or widowhood, I therefore affectionately request her to provide, by will or other legal mode, that such portion of the legacy herein given to her as may remain at her death or marriage (should she marry) shall go to our children then living, and to the children of such of them as may have died, just as the residue of my estate goes to them under this will.

Item nine: I confer upon my executors, jointly and singly, if one only should be acting, full and complete power to sell and convey any and all of the property herein disposed of, by any legal method, as fully and completely as I am able to sell and convey, without the intervention of any court.

Item ten: My executors are not to be held personally liable for

the failure or defaults of other persons, nor for any mistake of judgment they may make in the execution of this will; all that I demand of them is to do the very best they can, honestly and faithfully to carry out the provisions of this will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, this the 9th day of January, 1904.

Julius Hardwick.

Signed and published by Julius Hardwick as his last will and testament, in the presence of the undersigned, who subscribe our names hereto as witnesses, at the instance and request of said testator, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other. This the 9th day of January, 1904.

J. P. Lea,

Ed Mayfield,

I. E. Dooley.

PROBATE. JANUARY 22, 1904.

It duly appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Julius Hardwick of Cleveland, Bradley county, Tennessee, has lately departed this life testate in said county of Bradley, and came into open court G. L. Hardwick and R. H. Jones, the persons named as the Executors, and presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Julius Hardwick, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record. And came J. P. Lea and Ed Mayfield, two of the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said Julius Hardwick signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the testator was at the time of sound mind and memory.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Julius Hardwick, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF JAMES L. JONES.

I, James L. Jones, a citizen of Bradley County, Tennessee, being in sound mind and having a disposing memory, and realizing the uncertainty of life, and being desirous of directing how my estate shall be disposed of after my death do hereby make, publish and declare this instrument to be my last will herein revoking and making void any and all former wills by me made.

First. I will and direct that my executor hereinafter named shall pay all my just debts and funeral expenses as soon as practicable after my death.

Second. I will and bequeath to my son James H. Jones all of my real estate being the home farm where I now live containing 260 acres of land. I also will and bequeath to him all of my personal property of every kind but subject to the following charges that is to say my entire is subject to the following charges, to wit;

In the event I should die previous to the death of my beloved wife, Margaret L. Jones, then she shall have a life support out of my entire estate, and said support shall be in keeping with our usual manner of living and shall be a prior charge against my estate.

And my son James H. Jones shall ^{pay} Lillie Weatherly Seven Hundred Dollars out of my estate which is herein bequeathed to provided the same is not paid to her during my lifetime.

Third. I want Alice Hambright to pay Lillie Weatherly \$300.00 said Alice Hambright having received the farm she now lives upon from her mother's estate said farm being known as the Samuel Howard farm, which her mother and I intend that she shall have as her share ~~out~~ of our estate after she pays Lillie Weatherly the \$300.00.

W. D. Jones received One Thousand from me about 20 years ago and think this amount is his full share of my estate.

Mary Sloan has also received One Thousand Dollars from me which I consider her share of my estate.

In order that no misunderstanding may arise from this will, it is to be summarized as follows:

All of my just debts and funeral expenses shall be paid first, and my wife shall have a comfortable support during her life out of my estate, and Lillie Weatherly and her heirs shall have the \$700.00 herein mentioned out of my estate, and Alice Hambright is directed to pay her the other \$300.00 mentioned above, and my son James H.

Jones is to have all the remainder of my estate, real, personal and mixed subject to the above charges, and Alice Hambright to have the farm she now lives upon after paying Lillie Weatherly the \$300.00.

W. D. Jones and Mary Sloan having heretofore received their share of my estate.

Third. I nominate and appoint my son James H. Jones executor of this my last will, and reposing the utmost confidence in his fidelity and honesty I hereby excuse him from giving bond as executor and ^{release} ~~release~~ him from returning any inventories to the courts or making settlements therein.

In testimony hereof I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of the attesting witnesses, who at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each other attest the same on this the 31 day of August 1898.

James L. Jones.

Attested by us on this the 31 day of August 1898 who saw the testator sign his name thereto and we hereto subscribe our names as attesting witnesses in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.

D. H. Hambright

E. F. Campbell

Bascom Rogers.

PROBATE. JANUARY 30, 1904.

It duly appearing to the court that James L. Jones lately departed this life testate in Bradley county, Tennessee, and came into open court James H. Jones, the person named as the Executor thereof, and presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said James L. Jones, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record. And came along with him E. F. Campbell and Bascom Rogers, two of the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said James L. Jones signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, that he signed the same in their presence, and that they at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses, and that said testator was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said James L. Jones, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF W. H. FOUST.

Charleston May 28, 1897.

I W. H. Foust being of sound and disposing mind and in view of my advance age and declining health make and devise this my last will and testament in the first place I give and bequeath to my Beloved wife Margaret E. Foust during her lifetime all of my real estate situated in Dade County Georgia consisting of part of her father's old home also the income from four thousand dollars to be loaned on good real estate the interest to be paid to her semiannually also the set of furniture in our room consisting of bed furnishings bureau chairs wash stand &c. and any horse or mule that she may select from the place and one hundred and fifty dollars in lieu of years provisions.

And I bequeath to my daughter Alice Foust the two houses and lots on Poplar street in the City of Chattanooga and the Piano to be valued to her at fifty five hundred dollars to have and to hold to her and her heirs. The other heirs A. C. Foust, Tho. A. Foust, and J. L. Foust and L. E. Foust having each received five thousand dollars.

PROBATE. FEBRUARY 1, 1904.

Be it remembered that on the 21st day of January, 1904, a petition was filed in the county court of Bradley county, Tennessee, by Margaret E. Foust, J. E. Foust, J. L. Foust, and Alice Foust Nichol and her husband F. E. Nichol, to have the will of the said W. H. Foust, deceased, admitted to probate and giving notice that they would appear on the First Monday, it being the first day of February, 1904, and ask that the same be then admitted to probate and asking that an Administrator with the will annexed be appointed and therein requesting that J. L. Foust be appointed such Administrator, and pursuant to said petition, on this the first Monday it being the 1st day of February, 1904, before the Worshipful Jacob Smith, Chairman of the county court of Bradley county, the said J. L. Foust produced in open court a paper writing purporting to be the last will of W. H. Foust, deceased, bearing date of May 28th, 1897, the same being wholly in the handwriting of the said W. H. Foust, and his name appearing in the body thereof, and moved the court that the same be admitted to probate and record,

as the last will of the said W. H. Foust, deceased; and it appearing to the court from the testimony of J. L. Foust, John Bowman, F. J. Harle, and W. P. Lang, and from the allegations in said petition which are sworn to, that said instrument was wholly written by the said W. H. Foust, and it appearing from the testimony of J. L. Foust that said paper was found among the valuable papers of the said W. H. Foust immediately after his death; and it further appearing that the said W. H. Foust lately died in Bradley County, Tennessee, and that the usual place of his residence at the time of his death was in said county, it is so adjudged; and it is adjudged and declared by the court that said instrument is the last will and testament of the said W. H. Foust, deceased, and the Clerk is required file and record the same.

WILL OF SARAH E. MITCHELL.

June 17 1902

I will and bequeath and devise my farm to the Board of foreign mission of the religious denomination known as the Cumberland presbyterian Church said Church being a chartered institution or an incorporated body the the proceeds arising from the sale of the following land that I do describe on this paper real estate in the fourth 4 civil district of Bradley county, Tennessee, to wit namely 34 1/2 acres more or less bounded as follows to wit beginning at the north east corner of the west quarter of the section 19 first fractional township south range one east of the basis line 00000 district Bradley county, Tennessee, thence north 20 degrees east 2 poles and 10 feet thence north 60 9 1/2 degrees west 45 poles to copartnership fence thence south 20 degrees west 123 poles with copartner fence more or less to the Mitchell line thence south 70 degrees east 45 poles thence north 20 degrees east 45 120 poles to the beginning of corner I will that my brother James A. Mitchell sell the said land and give what he gets to the described Board of mission the said land is bounded on the north by J. M. Johnsons lands on the east by the lands of Lewis Sinor south by the lands of J. A. Mitchell west by the lands of W. H. Weatherly said farm being Bradley County, Tennessee I will that James A. Mitchell sell the following described land and pay my just debts out of the money received for it

I will and devise and bequeath to the said board of foreign mission what is left after my just debts are paid.

I Sarah E. Mitchell being of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last will and testament.

PROBATE FEBRUARY 8, 1904.

It appearing to the Court that Sarah E. Mitchell lately departed this life in Bradley county, Tennessee, testate, and came into open court J. A. Mitchell who presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Sarah E. Mitchell, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record as and for the last will and testament of the said Sarah E. Mitchell, deceased, said paper writing bearing date of June 17, 1902, and it duly appearing to the court from the testimony of J. A. Mitchell, J. A. Lambdin, John M. Julian and Ham-

bright, that said will is wholly in the handwriting of the said Sarah E. Mitchell, and that her name, the said Sarah E. Mitchell, appears in the body of said paper writing, and it further appearing from the testimony of J. A. Mitchell that said paper writing was found among the valuable papers of the said Sarah E. Mitchell soon after her death, and that a short time prior to the death of the said Sarah E. Mitchell brought from her valuable papers and acknowledged to him that the same was her last will and testament. It is therefore on motion ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Sarah E. Mitchell, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court.

WILL OF MARTHA E. DENTON.

I Martha E. Denton of Charleston Tenn do make this my last will and testament revoking all others heretofore made by me.

First: I order all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid first out of my estate.

Second: My Executor shall cause to be erected a suitable memorial stone over my last resting place.

Third: I devise and bequeath unto the three children of my brother S. V. Bates, to wit, Mary K. Bates, Carrie P. Bates and Robinson Bates all of my real and personal property of all kinds subject to the payment of clause 1st & 2nd above, and also my Executor is empowered to do any all acts to carry out this will.

If R. C. Bates should outlive the testator then he is to have and be paid the sum of thirty dollars per year as long as he shall live and my Executor is required to see that this sum is paid out of my estate and this clause to be void at his death,

The real estate intended to be devised herein consists of the lands I now own in Bradley county, Tennessee, being six tenths of the lands now owned in the Hiwassee bend; also $\frac{1}{4}$ interest in the land just east of Charleston, Tenn, one lot No. 2 in the Bates addition.

The house and lot where I now live in said town reference is made to the title papers to these parcels for a more specific description

I devise and bequeath unto Nora Green of Salem Washington Co., Arkansas three lots one dwelling house thereon at Salem Spring, Sexton post office.

I herein name S. V. Bates as my Executor without requiring him to give bond in the premises with full power to sell transfer and convey such real estate as I may own at my death to carry out this will

I have hereto set my hand and seal on this day, 1899
being of sound mind and disposing memory, and we the subscribing witnesses at her request and in her presence and the presence of each other have hereto affixed our names.

Witnesses;

Martha E. Denton.

1. H. Hambright

2. Mary Ratcliff.

PROBATE, FEBRUARY 29, 1904.

It appearing to the court that Martha E. Denton, late of Bradley county Tennessee, departed this life testate February 12, 1904, in said county and State, and came into open court S.-V. Bates, brother of said decedent, and the person named as the Executor thereof, and presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Martha E. Denton, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record as the last will and testament of the said Martha E. Denton, deceased; and came along with him H. Hambright one of the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, Mary Ratcliff, the other attesting witness, who has since the execution of said paper writing departed this life, and her testimony therefore cannot be had, and the said H. Hambright being first duly sworn deposed and said that she was present with the other attesting witness when the said Martha E. Denton signed said paper writing as and for her last will and testament, that she signed the same in her presence, and that both the attesting witnesses signed the same in the presence of the testatrix and at her request and in the presence of each other as attesting witnesses, and that the testatrix was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Martha E. Denton, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court, together with this probate.

WILL OF LYDIA JOHNSTON.

I, Lydia Johnston being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last will and testament.

1st Item. I commend my soul to my Heavenly Father who gave it.

2 Item. I direct that all my debts of every character including my burial expenses shall be paid.

3rd. I give and bequeath to my beloved niece Elsie Hayes my sewing machine and one small feather bed.

4th. I give and bequeath to my sister Mattie Grissam one red coverlet and one counterpane. To my father A. Headrick \$25.00 in cash.

5th. The balance of my estate I give and bequeath to my two brothers, to wit, W. A. Headrick of Bradley county, Tenn., and Frank Headrick of the Indian Territory, share and share alike, to be divided between them equally.

6th. I nominate and appoint John Trunk of Bradley County, Tennessee my Executor, and having great faith in his honesty I direct that he act without being required to give bond.

7th. I direct that my said executor shall collect all notes that may be due my estate as soon as he well can and divide the property and wind up my said estate at an early date.

Knowing O. G. Stone and W. M. Trotter I have requested them to witness my signature and the publication of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand this Feby 8th, 1904.

Attest:

Lydia ^{her}
mark Johnston

J. H. Early.

State of Tennessee. * We, O. G. Stone and W. M. Trotter have ~~and~~
Hamilton County * this day at the request of Mrs. Lydia

Johnston signed our names to the foregoing instrument in the presence of the said Mrs. Lydia Johnston, and in the presence of each other, as witnesses to her said will, and she the said Mrs. Lydia Johnston has in our presence made and published and acknowledged the foregoing instrument as her last will and testament. In testimony whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names in the presence of each other and the presence of the said Mrs. Lydia Johnston. Feby 8 1904.

O. G. Stone

W. M. Trotter.

PROBATE. APRIL 2, 1904.

Came into open court W. L. Humphrey, Esq., and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Lydia Johnston, who lately departed this life in Bradley county, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record, and came along with him O. G. Stone and W. M. Trotter, attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said Lydia Johnston executed said paper writing as and for her last will and testament, that she signed the same by mark in their presence, and that they at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other signed their names as attesting witnesses, and that the said Lydia Johnston was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Lydia Johnston, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court, together with this probate.

WILL OF HESTER A. SAMPLES.

State of Tennessee, * This indenture made this April 6th, 1904,
 Bradley County. * setting forth by will as to the disposition of my property, effects &c. both personal and realty after my death and making this my last will and testament revoking all others. After my debts are paid I will everything I have to my two single daughters, namely, Mary L. Samples and Annie Samples as long as they remain single, and if possible to remain as it is. If they should marry what is left I want equally divided between nine children except William. I want him to have twice as much as either of the others. I do this on account of his being a cripple. Names of the nine children are as follows: Mary L. Samples, Annie Samples, Nellie Henderson, James Samples, L. B. Samples, William Samples, B. F. Samples, E. J. Nipper, Tennie Dooly.

My son S. N. Samples I give nothing as he has had his part of the estate.
 Hester A. Samples.

Witness

G. M. Bazemore
 Maggie W. Bazemore.

PROBATE. MAY 21, 1904.

It appearing to the court that Hester A. Samples lately departed this life testate in Bradley county, Tennessee, and came into open Court Mary L. Samples, who presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Hester A. Samples, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record. And came along with her G. M. Bazemore and Maggie W. Bazemore, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were present when the said Hester A. Samples signed said paper writing as and for her last will and testament, and that they signed the same at her request, in her presence, and in the presence of each other, as attesting witnesses, and that said testatrix was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the Hester A. Samples, deceased and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court, together with this probate.

WILL OF P. B. MAYFIELD.

After much consideration given the subject I have arrived at the conclusion that the best disposition I could make of the small amount of property which I possess is to give it to my beloved wife upon whom in the past has rested in a great measure the care of our children and in case of my death this care and the responsibility will be much increased and I am satisfied that she will do full justice to all the children not forgetting the little ones and therefore I give devise and bequeath to said beloved wife E. C. Mayfield all my estate real and personal to have hold dispose of and convey as she may deem proper.

I appoint my said wife Executrix of this my last will and excuse her from giving bond.

Done in the presence of the undersigned witnesses this January 27th 1890.

Witness

P. B. Mayfield.

L. D. Campbell
 J. E. Johnston.

PROBATE. MAY 31, 1904.

Came into open Court J. E. Mayfield, Esq., and suggested the death of Col. P. B. Mayfield, that he died at his late residence in Cleveland, Tennessee, on Thursday, May 26, 1904; and the said J. E. Mayfield, son of said decedent, presented to the court a paper writing, bearing date of January 27th, 1890, purporting to be the last will and testament of the said P. B. Mayfield, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record. And came along with him L. D. Campbell and J. E. Johnston, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said P. B. Mayfield executed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament that he signed the same in their presence, and that they at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses, and that the testator was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said P. B. Mayfield, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this court, together with this probate.

WILL OF JAMES I. MATHEWS.

I James I Mathews of the 9th civil district of Bradley County State of Tennessee by these presents make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills ever made by me in the name of the Lord Amen

First It is my will and desire that after my death that all my just debts be paid and that my funeral expenses be first paid out of my effects;

Second I James I Mathews will unto my wife L. E. Mathews all of my land or real estate containing one hundred and sixty acres in three different tracts first 80 acres the home place where I now live second 40 acres the place that I first bought Stephen Owen third tract 40 acres that I bought of Geren and Marshall and I also will her all of my personality of all kinds that I possess at my death and at the death of my wife L. E. Mathews I will unto my children as follows to wit

First I will unto my daughter M. H. Mathews forty acres of land the north half of the same where I now live with the dwelling house that I now live in with all other outbuildings I further will unto my two daughters M. H. Mathews Mattie J. Vincent all personality at my wifes death whatever what she may leave to share ~~in~~ jointly between them for taking care of us in our old age and in our affliction

Second I will unto my daughter Hattie J. Vincent forty acres of land the south half the same place consist of 80 acres to be divided east and west my daughter M. H. Mathews to have the north half of said 80 acres

Third I will unto my daughter Martha E. Shields forty acres of land known as the Geren and Marshall forty acres

Fourth I will unto the two heirs of my deceased daughter L. L. Wattenbarger Lillie K. Wattenbarger and N. E. Wattenbarger forty acres of land jointly each to share alike in the forty acres it being the first land that I bought some years ago bounded on the east by W. P. Palmer

I hereby nominate and appoint M. H. Mathews Executrix without bond to carry out this my last will and testament

With my hand and seal this the 11 day of July 1904.

Witness
M. L. Ross
S. E. Ross

J. I. Mathews

PROBATE. MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 1904.

It appearing to the Court that J. I. Mathews lately departed this life in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court M. H. Mathews and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said J. I. Mathews, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate; and came along with her M. L. Ross and S. E. Ross, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said J. I. Mathews signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses, and that the testator was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said J. I. Mathews, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF K. C. HOOPER.

This July the 16 1903.

In dividing the land of K. C. Hooper between the heirs, Etha Linda Baker and her heirs is to have the south half of the home farm divided east and west about 68 1/2 acres for the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars to be paid March the 16 1906 with rents till then and then make all the heirs equal.

K. C. Hooper.

This July the 16 1903.

In dividing the land of K. C. Hooper between his heirs Etha Baker and her heirs is to have the north half of the home place about 68 1/2 acres for the sum of \$1000 hundred dollars to be paid March the 16 1906 with rents till then and then make all the heirs equal.

K. C. Hooper

This July the 16 1903.

In dividing the land of K. C. Hooper between his heirs Martha Miller and her heirs is to have the north half of the upper farm about 80 acres the line to be run east and west and fifteen acres on the south side bounded on the west by Mrs Mcpherson on the south by Ada Owsby for the sum of eight hundred and seventy five dollars to be paid March the 16 1903 with rents till then and then make all the heirs equal.

K. C. Hooper

This July the 16, 1903.

In dividing the land of K. C. Hooper between his heirs A J Hooper is to have the south half of the upper farm running east and west and five acres on the south side bounded on the south by Martha Miller for the sum of eight hundred and twenty five dollars to be paid March the 16 1906 and then make all the heirs equal with rents till then.

K. C. Hooper.

PROBATE, NOVEMBER TERM, 1904.

Be it remembered that on this the 12th day of November, 1904,

before the Honorable Jacob Smith, Chairman of the County Court of Bradley County, Tennessee, the heirs-at-law of K. C. Hooper, deceased, by their attorney W. L. Humphrey produced in open Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of K. C. Hooper, Sr., lately deceased, bearing date of July 16, 1903, having the name of K. C. Hooper subscribed thereto, and there being no subscribing witnesses there the said attorney for the heirs of said K. C. Hooper allege that said will and every part thereof was in the handwriting of said K. C. Hooper and that it had been found since the recent death of K. C. Hooper among his valuable papers, and said heirs allege it to be a holographic will, and moved the Court that the same be admitted to probate and record as the last will of said K. C. Hooper, deceased.

And it duly appearing to the Court from the testimony of M. L. Ross T. M. Caldwell and J. W. Hawk who are credible and reliable persons, who are disinterested in the disposition of said estate; that said paper writing was found among the valuable papers of K. C. Hooper, deceased, shortly after his death, and that said K. C. Hooper's handwriting was commonly and generally known by his acquaintances, and that said paper writing and every part thereof including the signature was in the handwriting of said K. C. Hooper, deceased, and said paper writing appearing to be the will of said K. C. Hooper, deceased, and that said K. C. Hooper was of sound mind and memory; and it further appearing that said K. C. Hooper lately died in Bradley County, Tennessee, and that his usual place of residence at the time of his death was in said County, it is also adjudged. And it is adjudged and declared by the Court that said instrument is the true, whole and last will and testament of the said K. C. Hooper, deceased, and the Clerk is directed to file and record the same, together with this order of probate.

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Last Will of William M. Clonts.

I, William M. Clonts, of Bradley County, Tennessee, do make and publish this my last will and testament.

1. I direct that all my just debts and liabilities be paid and that the expenses of my burial be paid first out of my estate.

2. I direct that my daughter, Addie Independence Worley have out of my estate the sum of (\$100.00) as her full share in said estate.

3. I direct that my son Alfred Clonts also have out of my estate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), he having bought the full share in my estate from my son George Clonts and having paid George said amount for the same, and I therefore direct that my said son George have nothing more out of my estate.

4. I direct that all the remainder of my estate of which I may die seized, either personal or real, and both, be divided equally among my three children Alice McKillop, Alfred Clonts and Lela E. Clonts.

5. I further direct that my nephew Dr. B. F. Gates see that the above is fully carried out as I have herein directed, and I therefore nominate and appoint him, the said Gates as executor of this my last will and testament, and having explicit confidence in his honesty and integrity I hereby release him from entering into bond as required by law. This the 3rd day of August, 1904.

William M. Clonts.

Signed by the said William M. Clonts as his last will and testament, in the presence of us, the undersigned, who, at his request, and in his sight and presence, have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses, the day and date above written.

R. P. Sullivan

R. O. Kibler.

PROBATE. NOVEMBER TERM, 1904.

It appearing to the Court that William M. Clonts lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court Dr. B. F. Gates and presented to the Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said William M. Clonts, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record, and came along with him R. P. Sullivan and R. O. Kibler, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn,

deposed and said that they were present when the said William M. Clonts signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, that they signed the same at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, as attesting witnesses, and that the testator was of sound mind and memory, at the time. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court, that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said William M. Clonts, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the Will Book of this Court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF B. F. MITCHELL.

I, B. F. Mitchell of Bradley County, Tennessee, do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking any and all wills by me heretofore made. I will all my property both personal and real estate to my wife, Susan M. Mitchell during her lifetime; at her death I want Reginal Guinn to have One Hundred Dollars out of my estate; also one fourth interest of Cora Grigsby interest. I set apart one hundred dollars to be spent on my daughter Provy's grave, also fifty dollars each for wife's grave and my own. After my debts and funeral expense is paid I want the rest of my estate divided equal between my living children. T. L. Mitchell, Ethel Oldon, O. M. Johnson, and Cora Grigsby, except Reginal Guinn is to have one fourth of her interest. My daughter Nancy Ellen Frazier received her part of my estate during her lifetime in cash.

I hereby appoint as my Executors, T. L. Mitchell and W. P. Johnson without bond.

If my heirs can't divide my estate satisfactory then the Executors will sell and divide the same.

This November 24th, 1904.

B. F. Mitchell.

The foregoing will was signed by the testator in our presence and we attested the same in his presence at his request.

This November 24th 1904.

J. H. Thatch

J. N. Rice.

PROBATE. JANUARY 14, 1905.

Came into open court T. L. Mitchell and suggested the death of his father B. F. Mitchell, who died at his late residence in Bradley County, Tennessee, on or about January 8, 1905, and presented to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said B. F. Mitchell, deceased and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record, also came J. H. Thatch and J. N. Rice, the attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were present when the said B. F. Mitchell signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and

that they at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses, and that the testator was at the time of sound mind and memory.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said B. F. Mitchell, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court, together with this order of probate.

WILL OF J. A. BARGER, SR.

I, J. A. Barger, Sen., of the tenth district of Bradley County, Tennessee, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time made.

1st. I direct that all my just debts, including funeral expenses and expenses of administration be paid by my Executor.

2nd. I will, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Malinda J. Barger, during her lifetime, the house and garden and lots and barn, and firewood, and the timber to keep up same, as retained in deed of land to my son, J. A. Barger, Jr.

Also all my household and kitchen furniture, to dispose of as she may desire.

Also I will to my beloved wife Malinda J. Barger, all my stock that may be on hands at my death, this she may dispose of as she desires.

Also my wife is to have all tools of whatever kind I may have at my death to dispose of as she desires.

3rd. I will devise to my beloved wife Malinda J. Barger during her life the income or interest on twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.00) the interest to be paid to her annually, and my executor as hereafter named shall hold said twelve hundred dollars in trust to pay said income.

4th. I will, devise and bequeath the remainder of my property to be divided equally among my children and their heirs, that is if any of my children are dead, the heirs of said children shall have said child's part. I have eight heirs and their representatives.

And I will the heirs of Mary Jane Francisco one eighth as above mentioned said heirs to share equally. And to Caroline Gammon one eighth, and to John Barger one eighth, and to William Barger one eighth, and to Margaret Barger one eighth, and to the heirs of Sarah Miller one eighth, said heirs to share equally in said one eighth, and to Sim P. Barger one eighth, to J. A. Barger, Jr., one eighth. And at the death of my wife I desire that the twelve hundred dollars \$1200.00 held in trust, to be distributed among my heirs as the above mentioned, to each child, or their heirs share and share alike.

5th. The foregoing legacies are made subject to the following, that is to say, John Barger is indebted to me by two notes, one for seventy five dollars and interest and the balance a note of three hundred and fifty dollars and interest, I charge these two amounts together with all interest on same to him, and my executor is directed to retain his (John Barger's share, to satisfy said indebtedness.

6th. My son William Barger is indebted to me by two notes one for five hundred dollars and interest and the other for four hundred and some dollars. These notes and interest are to be charged to him if not paid before my death.

7th. My son in law Donic Miller is indebted to me by note for one hundred and some dollars and interest. This I charge to the heirs of Sarah Miller, and direct my executor to retain enough of of their legacy to satisfy said indebtedness this is an advancement to Sarah Miller.

8th. My son J. A. Barger, Jr., is indebted to me by notes for about twenty eight hundred dollars (\$2800.00) this is charged to him. This I direct to be paid, and retaining his share as collected.

9th. I hereby nominate and appoint my son J. A. Barger, Jr., as sole executor of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand this July 21, 1899.

J. A. Barger, Sen.

Signed by the said J. A. Barger, Sen. as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, the undersigned, who at his request and in his sight and presence have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses the day and date above written.

T. M. Caldwell

J. R. Brown

W. L. Humphrey.

PROBATE. JANUARY 31, 1905.

It appearing to the Court that J. A. Barger, Sr., lately departed this life testate in Bradley County, Tennessee, and came into open Court J. A. Barger, Jr., the person named therein as the Executor, and presented to the open court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of the said J. A. Barger, Sr., deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record; and came along with him T. M. Caldwell, J. R. Brown and W. L. Humphrey, the

attesting witnesses to said paper writing, who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said J. A. Barger, Sr., signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting witnesses; and that the testator was at the time of sound mind and memory. It is therefore ordered, adjudged, and decreed by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said J. A. Barger, deceased, and the Clerk is ordered to enter the same of record in the will book of this court.

WILL OF W. S. TIPTON.

Cleveland, Tenn., March 3rd 1900.

To whom it may concern:

Know all by these presents that I William Sharon Tipton of Cleveland Tennessee, do make the following my last will and testament.

At my death, I desire and do hereby bequeath unto my wife, Elizabeth Sandusky Tipton, all my property, both personal and realty that I may own at my death. I desire that she have full control of the education of my children.

I advise that my printing business be sold. It cost me originally about \$3,600.

Attest:

Wm. S. Tipton.

W. L. Humphrey.

PROBATE. MARCH 22, 1905.

Be it remembered that on this day, Mrs. E. S. Tipton, wife of William S. Tipton, deceased, produced in open Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will of said William S. Tipton lately deceased, bearing date March 3rd, 1900, and having the name of William S. Tipton signed thereto, and moved the court that the same be admitted to probate and record as the holographic last will of said William S. Tipton, deceased; and it appearing to the Court from the testimony of Thomas A. Hays, W. P. Lang and J. E. Mayfield that the handwriting of said William S. Tipton, deceased, was generally known by his acquaintances, and that they and each of them verily believe that the said will and every part thereof is in the handwriting of said William S. Tipton, deceased, and it further appearing from the testimony of T. A. Hays that said will was found at the death of said William S. Tipton among his valuable papers, and in the private safe of said deceased, in his office, and it further appearing from the testimony of each of said witnesses that said Wm. S. Tipton at the date of his said will and up to the time of his death was of sound mind and disposing memory, and that he lately died in Bradley County, Tennessee, and his usual place of residence at the time of his death was in said county, it is so adjudged.

And it is therefore adjudged and decreed by the court that said instrument is the true, whole and last will and testament of the said William S. Tipton, deceased, and the Clerk is directed to file and record the same.