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Young Isaac Executor of Isaac Young Dec'd 88-2-90

Young John Last Will & Testament 230-234

(Copy of the last will and Testament of Paul Sparrs a^d) viz
 Not remembered on the twentieth day of December on the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty five I have made this my
 last ^{will} and Testament, the same being as follows viz
 two bay mares, and two Cotts, one barrel Cotts and one bay Cotts
 also three milk Cows and three heifer, two well yeareds also two horses
 and seven shoats and one bed belonging to Perrelean One bed, table
 and furniture put to it, two small pots and one small oven and a
 gallon pats also fifteen Geese likewise four head of sheep two years and
 two withers, likewise what Corn there is at present on the place One
 saddle the above named property I give and bequeath to my beloved
 wife Margaret to have and to hold for herself so long as she may live
 in the world then give the same to whom he may think proper
 also one set of plates knives & forks likewise one loom and two
 wheels also one flax wheel also one clock two bed sties one Look
 this together with the Ballan - she is to have and to hold in like
 the remainder is to be divided Equally among the Children
 Witness Myself I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
 and date above Written

Test
 Wm. Williams }
 B. C. Stephens } Paul Sparrs
 Clerk

State of Tennessee
 Common Pleas 3 May & June terms of County Court 1835
 Then was the Execution of the annexed Will duly proven
 by the oath of Benjamin C. Stephens that is to say the said Stephen
 May term It being the 10th day of May 1836 - And by the
 of Wm. Williams at June term It being the 25th day of June
 the subscribing Witnesses thereto who being first sworn depose
 say that were acquainted with Paul Sparrs dec'd in his life
 and that he acknowledged the Execution of the annexed
 to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned
 Witness Saml^l Garrison Clerk of said Court
 June 6th 1836

Saml^l Garrison

Copy of the Last Will and Testament of Margaret Petty (wid)
State of Tennessee Warren County in the name of God Amen
First of all that is to say, after bequeathing my soul to
God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent
like manner by the hands of my Executors and as pertaining to
to such things as God has blessed me with in respect of this
Worlds Goods and such things thereof as appertain to me at
my decease all and singular the rights thereof I Margaret
Petty of the County of Warren and State aforesaid do Will the
Same to my Son Alexander Petty and his heirs that is to say
Mitchel and his wife Nancy and their youngest daughter Peggy
and all the rest of my property I Will the same to my son Alexander
for him to do with as he may think proper for their Consideration
that is to say my son Alexander did stay with me and and his
father ten years after he was free and built good houses
cleared land and planted as a fine Orchard and placed
us in a decent way of living for which his father intended to reward
him with one third more of his living than the rest of his children
and being in my right mind and inform in body and knowing
that it is appointed for all to die that is to say I Margaret
Petty do make and constitute and allow this to be my Last
Will and Testament (Revoking all others whatsoever) And that no
misunderstanding may arise in respect of my bequeathing it that my
son Jesse Thompson and myself did on the 19th day of May 1831. make
an agreement for him to stay with me as long as I should live
and for him to be my heir But he did not comply with our contract
and it is my wish and desire that no dispute nor misunderstanding
may arise I Margaret Petty do make and ordain this to be my
Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal this the twentieth day of October 1835.

Test Hugh Reed,

John L. Beany,

State of Tennessee

Cannon County June term of County Court 1836

then was the Execution of the annexed Will duly proven
in Open Court (It being a court of record) by the oaths
of Hugh Reed and James L. Beany subscribing Witnesses
there to who being first sworn depose and say that they
are acquainted with Margaret Petty and that she is in her last

and that she acknowledged the Execution of the annexed Will
to be her act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned
Witness Saml Garrison Clerk of said Court at office June
6th 1836.
Saml Garrison Clk

Copy of the Last Will and Testament of Robert Stephens deceased
of Robert Stephens of the County of Cannon and State
of Tennessee now living in my right mind do make this
my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making
void all former Wills by me at any time made.
I direct that as to ^{such} worldly estate as it hath pleased God
to intrust me with I dispose of as follows First I give
and bequeath unto my son viz my plantation &c &c
I direct that all the property of every kind he sold and
the money arising therefrom to be equally divided between
my seven children Olyza Johnson Celia Lockhart Richard
Stephen Sampson Stephen Robert K Stephens Holly Clark
and Martha Walker. Thirdly I direct that my Executors
keep the money which belong to Holly Clark & Martha
Walker in their own hands until the children be come
of age then pay over the same to the children equally
Fourthly I direct that the other seven children receive
their part soon as collected. Fifthly I do hereby make
ordain and appoint my son Robert K Stephens and
Jesse Johnson, Executors of this my Last Will and
Testament. In Witness whereof I Robert Stephens the
said Testator have to this my Last Will written on
one sheet of paper set my hand and seal this
sixth of July 1836.
Signed sealed and published in the presence of
J. L. W. Cook
E. C. Seal
J. Robert Stephens
marks

State of Tennessee October term of the County Court 1836
Cannon County then was the Execution of the annexed Will
duly proven in Open Court by the oaths of Hugh Reed
E. C. Seal subscribing Witnesses there to who being
sworn depose and say that they are acquainted with

In his life time and that he acknowledged the same in their presents to be his last Will and Testament and that they signed the same ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~his~~ ^{at} ~~request~~ ^{at} ~~with~~ ^{at} ~~my~~ ^{at} ~~hand~~ ^{at} ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~office~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{at} ~~first~~ ^{at} ~~Monday~~ ^{at} ~~in~~ ^{at} ~~being~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{at} ~~5th~~ ^{at} ~~day~~ ^{at} ~~of~~ ^{at} ~~Sept.~~ ^{at} ~~2^d~~ ^{at} ~~1836.~~ ^{at}

Samuel Garrison tells

Copy of the last Will & Testament of
William Forester deceased. It is remembered that I
William Forester of the County of Cannon & State of Tennessee
being in perfect mind and memory and knowing that
it is appointed once for all men to die do by these presents
make & ordain these my last Will and Testament. That
is to say after paying my just debts in following manner
to wit: I give the first I came and bequeath
to my beloved mother Rebecca Forester all my property
five head of horses & all my cattle and hogs crops and
rifle Gun & Shothag including all my out standing
debts due me including every thing I possess of this world
Goods and for my mother to dispose of the same as she
thinks fit this 25th day of June 1836—

Signed and sealed in
presents of us

Francis Forester

Elizabeth Forester

State of Tennessee
Cannon County } November Term 1836. Then was the executor
of the within last Will & Testament duly sworn in Open
Court by the oath of Francis Forester one of the subscribing
Witness thereto who being first sworn depose and say that
she was acquainted with the within named William Forester
(The Testator) in his life time and that he acknowledged
the same in her presents to be his act and deed for
the purposes therein contained upon the day its bears
date with my hand at office the 5th day of
November 1836

Samuel Garrison tells

John Bullard de:

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Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen

I John Bullard of the County of Cannon
and State of Tennessee - Being Weak
Body but of perfect sound mind
and memory, Blessed be God - do on this twentieth day of
July in the year of our lords one thousand eight hundred
and thirty six make and publish this my last Will
& Testament in manner following that is First I Give &
bequeath to George Epps wife and children fifty acres of
Land in the South east Corner of my tract Beginning
at a Beach said to be Thompsons Corner then West so far
that a line South to my South boundary line shall include
fifty acres to her and her children forever, also one feather
bed and furniture one cow and calf one ten yellow pot
and smoothing Iron Spool, Keweenaw base & now in her possession
also from my own house & allow her and her children one
Bureau & chest one set dog Iron & Tonge one Pewter Basin
and all pewter Vels in my house—

I also Give and bequeath to Capt. Patton's oldest daughter
Elizabeth one better bed and furniture (said bed is
now in the possession of Levi Bannett—

I also Give and bequeath to Hugh Robinson the northern
part of my land tract of land Beginning at a Beach
said to be Thompsons Corner then West to the West boundary
line of my tract then north and east and South with
my line to the beginning supposed to be fifty aary which
Land I Give to the said Hugh Robinson and to his children
hirs forever also one table one fifteen yellow table and
one chest.

and I do hereby appoint and ordain my
friend Hugh Robinson to be executor of this my last Will and
Testament. and lastly I do hereby revoke all other Wills
and Testaments by me made and do hereby establish this
and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day
and year first mentioned Signed in presents of
William Henry
George Keith
Hiram Uimberley

John Bullard

State of Tennessee February Term of the County Court 1837

Cannon County Personally appeared in open court, Benjamin Clements and Isaac Wilmshurst two of the subscribing witnesses to the will and testament of John Bullard (decd.), who being first sworn in open court, depose and say that they were acquainted with John Bullard (the testator) in his life time and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will and testament upon the day it bears date, and that they signed the same as witnesses. Witness my hand at office the first Monday (it being the 6th day of February) A.D. 1837

Thos. D. Garrison Clerk

The last Will and Testament of

James Barkley deceased In name of God I James Barkley of the County of Cannon and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of human life, revoke all former wills and testaments, do make this my last will and testament in form and manner following to wit

I do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Barkley during her natural life all my tract of land situate on the east side of Carriwauchoe branch, except the part thereon after given to William Wood and Elizabeth Neely, together with the end of the mansion house wherein I now live, and the whole of the upper story thereof. She also has cows and calves two ewes and lambs to be selected by herself; all my stock of sheep and all my horses and all my household and kitchen furniture; including all my beds, clothing, &c. Also my large family Bible and Dymon Books.

I do give and bequeath unto William Wood my son in law the part or my tract of land containing one hundred and seven acres, or the same more or less, as run out by William Cummings Esq. in the year 1835, including the mill, millling and dwelling house wherein James Phelps now lives together with the out houses &c. included in the above mentioned survey. Also I give and bequeath unto William my half or moiety of the tract of land that he and myself own on Dry Creek with a Saw Mill thereon.

I do give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Neely my daughter all the balance of my tract of land except fifty acres on the west side of the tract adjoining to my late son James Wood & Elizabeth Neely

of lands, together with the end of my dwelling house wherein he now lives, and after the death of my wife Sarah I give and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Neely all the land herein before given to my wife Sarah Barkley during her natural life.

I do give and bequeath unto William Wood and Elizabeth Neely (if it do not fall the same in my life time) the tract of land lying on a branch of the Dry Creek below Jacob Rogers Mill on Cannon County, containing sixty acres, known by the name of the High Falls; upon this condition to wit, the land to be sold and the money to be applied to the payment of my just debts; if any there be, it not then the money to be equally divided between the said William Wood and Elizabeth Neely. I also give and bequeath unto William Wood and Elizabeth Neely the balance of my personal estate not hereby given to my wife Sarah Barkley, and at her death all the property left her to be equally divided between the said William Wood and Elizabeth Neely.

I do hereby appoint Henry Duff Brown and Benjamin Duff executors of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand and seal this 4th day of May 1836.

James Barkley (decd.)

The words Sarah and Elizabeth entailed before expd. —
First Henry Duff, Esq.
Esq. & James Duff

State of Tennessee March Term of the County Court 1837

Cannon County This was the last will and testament of James Barkley deceased duly proven in open court by the oaths of Henry Duff Esq. and John S. Rivers subscribing witnesses, their oaths being first sworn upon and say that they were acquainted with the said James Barkley the testator in his life time and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his act, and due for the purpose therein contained upon the day it bears date. Witness my hand at office the first Monday (it being the 6th day of March) A.D. 1837

The last Will & Testament of State of Tennessee Cannon County

of Michael Etherage decd. So all to these presents may come I Michael Etherage in the name of our Lord do on this day being the 27th day of February 1837, and in my proper elements and reason do make my last will and testament, and that I do will and bequeath unto my son William Etherage all my Goods and Chattels, and that I do want him to keep the Grey mare and the Youngest Cow, for his own use also a red and white pinner down and one Young Horse and two Hoppers and

for his use and all the ballances of my property sold for the uses of the said, William G Etherage with the exception of the House hold furniture which I want to be kept for the use of the Family, and one dollar I will and bequeath unto my wife Charity Etherage and my money that I have loaned out my Will is that it should be still loaned out on the same interest that I loaned it out and no more than I have had it out, until my son William G Etherage, becomes of the age of twenty one years and then and at that time to be paid over to him the said William G Etherage the said money with the interest as aforesaid seven under my hand as my last Will and Testament this day and date above written in witness whereof I have

attest, William Taylor

Shadrack Crumell

Michael G Etherage
mark

Hall of Tennessee, March Term of the County Court 1837
Cannon County. Then was the within last Will and Testament of Michael Etherage duly proven in open Court by the oaths of William Taylor and Shadrack Crumell (Subscribers) Witnesses thereto who being first sworn, did say that they were acquainted with the said Michael Etherage, the testator, in his life time and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his act and deed for the purposes there in mentioned; and that they signed the same as Witnesses at his request. Witness my hand at office, the first Monday (it being the 6th day) of March 1837

Saml A Garrison Clerk

Robert George died } I Robert George of the county of Cannon
last Will & Testament } and State of Tennessee planter.

Do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former Wills by me at any time hereof or made, and first I direct that my body may be decently entred in a manner suitable to my condition in life and as to such worldly Estate as it has pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of the same as follows

First I direct that all my debts and funeral expences be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of any monies that I may be possed of or may first come into the hands of my executors, from any portion of my Estate real or personal

Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Susannah George the plantation including improvements and buildings, and all woodling, lands I hold west of the abt Henderson lane also two negroes one named Anna one negro boy, named M. also two Horses, and three cows with what Household and Kitchen furniture and farming tools she thinks necessary, to keep during her widowhood, or if remains single during her natural life the said negro woman to be free at my wife's death or marriage to live with which of the children she thinks fit

Thirdly I bequeath to my beloved daughter Martha Hottel's half the value of a negro boy, named Henry, besides what I have already given her.

Fourthly I bequeath to my beloved son William George one half the value of the aforesaid negro boy Henry besides what I have already given him or if he in due William thinks proper to keep the said negro Henry then pay the said Martha Hottel's half the value

Fifthly I do bequeath to my beloved son James George one negro boy named Dick besides what I have given him

Sixthly I bequeath to my beloved son John George, all the land that I hold on the East side of the Henderson lane also a negro boy, named Jack.

Seventhly I do bequeath to my beloved daughter, Amenia Smith one negro girl named Lucy, which girl she now has a possession and what other property I have already given her.

Eighthly I do bequeath to my beloved daughter Emily George one negro girl named Shertot, & one Horse creature

Ninthly I do bequeath to my beloved daughter Mariak George two negro girls one named Margaret the other Harriett

Tenthly I do bequeath to my beloved son Robert George all the land I hold on the west of the Henderson lane with all improvements thereon and a negro boy named Miles to be his at the death or marriage of his mother.

I do hereby make certain and appoint my two sons James George & John George Executors of this my last Will and Testament

In Witness Whereof, I Robert George have to this my last Will
written on one sheet of paper set my hand and seal
this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred and thirty seven.

Signed sealed and published in the presence of us who have
subscribed in the presence of ~~under~~ the Testator and of
each other.

John Binley
James A. George
James Taylor

to
Robert George
made

State of Tennessee

Cannon County December term of the County Court 1837,

Personally appeared in open Court John Binley James George
and James Taylor subscribing Witnesses to the within last
will and Testament, who being first sworn depose and say
that they were acquainted with Robert George (the Testator)
in his life time and that he acknowledged the foregoing
paper writing to be his last will and Testament in manner
and form as herein stated, that is to say, before the said
John Binley and James A. George on the day it bears date
and before the said James Taylor at a time subsequent
hereto.

In testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my
hand at office the first Monday and
fourth day of December 1837

Wm. P. Harrison etc
of said County Court,

John Heggins del.

Last Will & Testament In the Name of God Amen

I John Heggins of the County of Cannon and State of Tennessee
Being now sick and weak of Body, but of sound mind and
disposing memory; for which I thank God since calling to mind
the uncertainty of Human life and being desirous to dispose
of all such worldly substance as it hath pleased God to
Bless me with. I Give and Bequeath the same in manner
following that is to say -

1st I Desire that immediately after my decease so much
of my perishable property be sold and out of the
monies arising therefrom all my just debts be paid and

Also funeral Expenses

2nd After the payment of my debts & funeral Expenses, I Give
and bequeath to my wife Mary Heggins one negro woman
named Clarica and one negro boy named Ben, also the plan-
tation whereon I now live also one Brown Horse three years old
and one grey mare also two cows & calves, and one small Beef
her choice also as much of the Household and kitchen furniture
as she may think necessary for own use also also as many
garnings utensils as she may think necessary for her own use
Also two saws and pigs her choice and ten hogs her choice
also twelve head of sheep her choice also the whole stock of
Bees also her saddle and Bridle and Blanket. Besides I
Give and Bequeath to my wife Mary Heggins one hundred
and fifty dollars in specie now on hand all of the aforesaid
to be enjoyed by her for and during the term of her natural
life I also desire that after her decease that the aforesaid
Negro woman Clarica be set at Liberty, and in case the said
Negro woman should be found not in a Capacity to support
herself I desire that the said Negro woman be equally supported
amongst my children now after the decease of my wife Mary
Heggins I desire that all the property left by her be immediately
sold and equally divided among my children hereafter
named and to be enjoyed by them and their heirs forever.

3rd I Give and Bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Heggins
one negro Girl named Susan I also Give and bequeath to
my daughter Nancy Little one negro Girl named Mariak
I also Give and Bequeath to my daughter Mary Little one
negro Girl named Lucy to be enjoyed by them & their heirs
forever. And my desire is that that the said Girls be valued
and if in case the amount to more than their proportionable
or equal part that they my aforesaid daughters shall
repay back so far as to bring all to an equality (that is
to say an equal part of my Estate) and my desire is
that John Hemin George Boyle and Anthony Owens should
value the aforesaid Negro Girls on a twelve month credit.
And my desire also is that my three Negro Boys (namely)
George Jim & Jack immediately after my decease be sold
on a twelve month credit to the highest and to be purchased
by my heirs and I do also desire that the residue of my

property immediately after my decease be sold that is to
say all my Lands with the Occupations of what have been heretofore
reserved, with all my other property with the exception
of what have been heretofore reserved and the proceeds
in Money arising therefrom to be equally divided among
my Children herein after named, together with all my notes
& Bonds & Cash on hand so much Cash excepted as have been
heretofore reserved that is to say Elizabeth Milligan Sally Moony
Nestley Heggins William Heggins Alexander Heggins Elijah
Heggins Margaret Armstrong John Heggins Nancy Little
James Heggins Polly Little the same to be enjoyed by them
and their heirs for ever. I also desire that after my decease
John McMin and George Boyle should lay off one year
provisions for my wife Mary & family. My Will and desire
also is that no Controversy arise about a negro Boy named
Shearman who died in the possession of my son James being
the property of said Boy was vested in myself therefore
my son James shall not be accountable for said boy
and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
friends John McMin and George Boyle Executors of this
my last Will and Testament. hereby revoking all other
former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal this 1st day of April in the year
of our lords one thousand eight hundred & thirty eight
John Heggins

Signed sealed Published and declared to be the last Will &
Testament of the above named John Heggins in presence
of us who at his Request & in his presence have hereunto
subscribed our names as witnesses to the same

Nelson Owen

Thomas Standley

State of Tennessee May Term of the County Court 1838,
Cannon County Personally appears in open Court Nelson
Owen one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper
(writing) purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
John Heggins de. (who being) first sworn upon and
says that he was acquainted with the testator in his life
time and that he acknowledged the same in his presence

to be his act and deed as his last will and Testament
Also personally appeared in open Court John McMin and
James Heggins who being called upon (on account of
the absence of the other subscribing) and being first sworn
upon and say that they were acquainted with the said
John Heggins in his life time and that they were present when
this Will was made and that they saw him make his marks
to the same Witness my hand at office the 4th day
of May 1838. Saml. C. Garrison Clk

John Brown dect 3rd

Last Will and Testament of John Brown do make and publish
this my last will and testament hereby revoking and
making void all other wills by me at any time made
first I direct that my general personal and all my debts
be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any
moneys that I may die possessed of or may come
into the hands of my executor. secondly I give and
bequeath a certain tract of land to my wife Nancy
Brown, and our son James Brown and our daughter
Ann Brown and our daughter Mary Brown, equally
being the same tract of land that previously belonged
belonged to Richard M. Gray living in the county of
Cannon State of Tennessee and civil district No 6
thirdly I give and bequeath to my said wife Nancy and our
son James & daughter Ann and Mary Brown, all my undivided
interest that I have in and to seven Negroes to wit David
a bay Isaac a bay Edisty a bay Peter a bay Vinca a woman
Ley a woman and her daughter about four years old being
the same Negroes that I purchased the undivided interest in
of Joseph Wamsley, and it is my desire that if said Negroes
sold and not divided that all the interest I have or may
arising therefrom be loaned out unto my said children James
divided Mary, shall arise to Sawfield ago for their support
at which time the moneys arising from said Negroes as aforesaid
be equally divided between my said wife Nancy and

our said children James Ann and Mary Brown and
 if said Negroes shall not be sold, but decided between
 those interested in the same this and we that every
 man desires only that the portion of said Negroes that
 may fall to my interest that they shall waite for the
 support of my wife Nancy Lou James and daughters
 Ann and Mary until said children shall arrive
 to full age, then that said Negroes be equally divided
 between my said wife and our said children James
 Brown Ann Brown and Mary Brown. Fourthly I
 give and bequeath to my said wife Nancy
 and our said children James Ann and Mary Brown my undivided
 interest that I have in and to six negroes who are named
 as follows to wit said a woman and her four children Moses
 David Grace and her youngest child and the said negroes be
 sold as decided when our said children shall arrive at full
 age and that my said interest be decided between my said
 wife Nancy and our said children James May and Ann
 Brown until which time said negroes be kept together
 and that the profits of ~~the same~~ arising from
 said negroes goe to the support of my said wife and
 our said children as ~~before~~ ^{before} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~my~~ ^{my}
 executor sell all my personal property and appropri-
 ate the proceeds arising therefrom to the payment of my
 debts and that my executor be the Ballance of a
 note of said James in Common County held of London
 Circle District S. C. being the same I purchased at public
 sale and which was sold by a decree of the Circuit
 Court of Common County, being shown that they and said
 said John family belonged to the Estate of William Sullivan
 deceased, and that he appropriated the proceeds of the
 same to the payment of my debts. Sixthly that my
 Executor also be vested with power to transfer to
 Jesse Lawrence all the interest that I and my heirs
 have in and to forty Acres of said being the same
 and that that said Lawrence purchased of me
 provided that said Lawrence shall execute his
 promissory note to my executor for the said

of forty dollars due the 25th December next
 lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Benjamin
 Pendleton Senr my executor, in writing whereof
 I do, to this my will set my hand and seal
 this 12th day of June 1839
 signed sealed and published John Brown
 in the presence and we have
 subscribed our names hereto
 in the presence of the testator this
 12th day of June 1839
 Thos G. Wood
 James M. Brown

John G. Simpson
 James M. Brown
 appeared in open court at the shire town Thomas
 Wood and James M. Brown subscribing witnesses
 to the within paper relating hereto to be
 the last will and testament of John Brown
 deceased, who being first sworn depose and
 say that they were acquainted with the within
 named John Brown, the testator in his life
 time and that he acknowledged the same in
 their presence to be his act and deed upon the
 day it bears date
 Witness Samuel J. Garrison
 Blake of our said court at open the first Monday
 and fifth day of August 1839

Samuel J. Garrison

John Wood Deceased } I John Wood of the County of
Last Will and Testament } Cannon and State of Tennessee

do make and publish this my
Last Will and Testament hereby revoking and
making void all other Wills by me at any time made
first I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
just debts be paid as soon after my death as
possible out of any monies that I may die possessed
of or may first into the hands of my executor

Secondly I bequeath to my son William Wood two thousand
said Dollars Thirdly I do bequeath to my son
James Wood the said I now live and containing
two hundred and fifty four acres more or less I do
bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Wherry six dollars
besides what I have given her Fifthly I do bequeath
to my daughter Sally Stone six dollars besides what I
have already given her Sixthly I do bequeath to my
son John Wood six dollars besides what I have already
bequeathed to him Seventhly I do bequeath to my son Thomas
Wood six hundred dollars besides what I have
given him Eighthly I do bequeath to my son Benjamin
Wood six dollars besides what I have already given
him Ninthly to my son Gabriel Wood I do bequeath
six dollars besides what I have given him tenthly
I do bequeath to my daughter Jane Seaton six dollars
besides what I have given her Eleventhly I do bequeath
to my daughter Nancy Todd six dollars besides what
I have given her

and further I order that after my death all my
house hold furniture of every description of farming
tools of every kind horses cattle hogs is to be sold and
the money applied to the payment of the above bequeaths
Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my son James
Wood my executor In witness whereof I do to this my Last
Will and Testament set my hands and seal this first
day of August 1839

John Wood (Seal)
make

signed sealed and in our presence and we have subscribed
our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this
third first day of August 1839

John Finley
James G. James
Henry Ford

State of Tennessee October Term of the County Court 1839
Cannon County personally appeared in open Court at the above
Term John Finley James G. James and Henry Ford

Subscribing witnesses to the within named paper writing
purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of
John Wood Deceased. Who being first sworn depose and
say that they were acquainted with the within named
John Wood the Testator in his lifetime and that he
acknowledges the same in their presence to be his
act and deed upon the day it bears date and that
they were specially requested by the said John Wood to witness the
same

Witness James M. Brown clerk
of our said Court at office the first Monday and
8th day of October 1839

James M. Brown clk

Abraham Sauls

Last Will & Testament } I Abraham Sauls do make and
publish this as my last will and
Testament hereby revoking and

making void all other wills by me at any time made
first I direct that funeral expenses and all my just
debts be paid as soon after my death as possible
out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first
come into the hands of my executor secondly I Will that
all of my personal property be sold on one year credit
Thirdly I Will that all of my land be sold to the highest
bidder on one and two years credit

Justly I will to my Sons John Sauls
 Widow now Barbara Straute One dollar
 Fifthly I will that all the Ballance of the money
 arising from the sale of my Land and my
 personal property with the notes and all the
 money that I may be possessed of be equally divided
 between Michel Witt and my Son John Sauls
 Children, namely Abraham Sauls John Sauls Henry
 Sauls Polly Kecke Rutha Davenport Elizabeth
 Sauls David Sauls Andrew Sauls Nancy Sauls
 Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Michel
 Witt my Executor in witness whereof I do
 to this my Last Will and Testament Set my hand
 and Seal. This the 21st day of September 1839
 his
 Abraham Sauls
 Mark

Signed Sealed and published in our presence
 and we have subscribed our names hereto in the
 presence of Testator. Test The R. J. Garrett
 This 21st day of September 1839 Moses McKnight

State of Tennessee, January Term of the County Court (1840)
 Cannon County } personally appeared in open Court
 at the above term & R. J. Garrett and
 Moses McKnight subscribing witnesses to the within named
 paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and
 Testament of Abraham Sauls deceased who being first sworn
 depose and say that they were acquainted with the within
 named Abraham Sauls the testator and that he acknowledged
 the same in their presence to be his act and on the day of
 Bear date and that they were specially requested by the
 said Abraham Sauls to witness the same
 Witness James M. Brown Clerk of our said Court
 at office the first Monday and 24th day of January 1840
 James M. Brown Clerk

Moses Shelby
 Last Will and
 Testament.
 Knowing that it is decreed for all
 men and to die and knowing it
 to be my certain doom I therefore
 submit to my fate I therefore will
 my soul to god there have it and my body to be
 buried in the dust from which it came and
 after paying all my just debts all the Ballance
 of my estate I will to be equally divided between
 Deaanny Shelby and Caroline Shelby my two daugh-
 ters after giving them good schooling, except 68 Acres
 of Land where the improvements now is and one
 mare one cow and calf one sow and pigs one
 bed and furniture all to be at Sally Shelys
 disposal my wife during her natural life
 provided said Sally Shely lives single if the said
 Sally Shely should marry the Land and I will
 to be equally divided between Deaanny Shelby
 and Caroline Shelby my two daughters I hereby
 appoint William Bates and Charles Alexander
 my executors this the 3rd day of September
 1838 this being my Last Will and Testament
 whereas I set my name
 in presence of
 Test James Cherry
 his
 John Barrett
 make
 Moses Shelby

State of Tennessee, March Term of the County
 Cannon County } Court A. D. 1840
 personally appeared in open
 Court at the above term David S. Hipp
 and Richard C. Price and by order of the
 Court proved the within to be the Last Will
 and Testament of Moses Shelby deceased by
 Testifying that they were acquainted with the
 Testator in his lifetime and they believed the
 within to have been written by Moses Shelby

the within named testator and the signature purporting to be his they believed to be genuine
Witness James M Brown Clerk of
the said Court at office the first Monday
in March A D 1840.

James M Brown

Henry Throver
Last Will and
Testament

In the name of god Amen I
Henry Throver of the County of Cameron
and State of Tennessee, being weak

in body but of sound mind and memory
do hereby certify that on the
21st day of March in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine
make and publish this my last Will and Testament
that is first I give and bequeath to my wife Henry
five acres of land most convenient to the tract where
I now intend erecting my house and including the
same also one cow and at the death of my wife the
said five acres of land to my son Andrew and
also all the Balance of my Tract of land I give to my
son Andrew

I also give and bequeath to my son Rice my hound
mare and fifteen heads of hogs I also give and bequeath
to my daughter Minnie one feather bed and furniture
I also give to Eliza Jane one feather bed and furniture
and one hifer and lastly I hereby appoint Hugh
Reed to be executor of this my last will and
Testament and I do hereby establish this and no other
to be my last will and testament in witness where
of I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal
in the presence of
Hugh Robinson }
James Williams }

Henry Throver

State of Tennessee }
Cameron County } March Term of the County Court
A D 1840 This Was the Execution of the
within Last will and testament.

dearly proven in open Court by the oaths of Hugh
Robinson and James Williams subscribing witnesses
there to who being first sworn depose and say that
they were acquainted with the within named Henry
Throver the Testator in his lifetime and that he
acknowledged in their presence to be his act and
deed for the purposes therein contained upon
the day it Bears date witness my hand at office
this 2nd day of March 1840

James M Brown Clerk

Haney Mc Gill
Last Will and
Testament

In the name of God Amen
I Haney Mc Gill of the State of Tennessee and County
of Cameron, Being Sickly and weak in body, but of
perfect sound mind and memory, Blessed be God, a thour

the twenty fourth day of February in the year of our Lord ^{one thousand} eight hundred
and thirty nine, Make and publish this my last will and testament in the man
ner following

First I give and bequeath to John Mc Caary & David
Mc Gill my nephews the whole of my tract of land which I now
live on to be divided between these children equally, said tract of land
containing 219 Acs if they cannot agree on the division of said land
to be sold and equally divided, Second I give and bequeath to my sister
Jane Watson three hundred Dollars to be paid to her out of my estate
and if so that she can not get it I direct that it be given to my brother
John Mc Caarys children, Third I give and bequeath to the children
of my nephew Robert Mc Gill one hundred and fifty dollars
to be divided equally between them, Fourth I give and bequeath to Haney
Brandon one hundred and eighty five dollars out of my estate
Fifthly, I give and bequeath to my nephew James Mc Gill one Rifle
gun & fifty Dollars to be paid out of my estate Sixthly I give and
bequeath to John Mc Caarys son Arthur, one hundred Dollars out
of my estate Seventhly I give to Arthur Mc Caary, Daughter Jane
one cow and calf and ten dollars to be paid out of my estate

Eighthly I will and bequeath that all of my Black people
be free from me my aces and estate forever- and I do hereby give and
bequeath to Robert and Delphy one sorrel horse two years old past
one cow and calf and five two yearling humped

two twenty barrels of corn ten bushels of wheat & forty Dollars also
 one good plow and hoe and sick one pair of gear one wheel and cart
 and all their house hold and kitchen furniture of every kind and
 description now in their possessions, and all of my wearing clothe
 & things I give to my black man Isaac one horse & fifty year old pair out of
 my estate & the remaining part of my estate not before given and
 bequeathed away, I allow to be sold by my executor, and the amount of
 such sale to be equally divided between David McPhee & John Mc Casary
 children after all of my just debts are paid.

Lastly I do hereby abrogate and appoint and ordain David McPhee
 & John Mc Casary to be my executors of this my last will and testament
 in witness whereof unto I have set my hand and seal the day and
 date above written signed & sealed

in the presence of us
 test

for
 Nancy McPhee
 mark

Abner Adams
 Joseph Simpson

May Term of the County Court 1840
 State of Tennessee } Then personally appeared in open Court
 Cannon County } Abner Adams and Joseph Simpson the
 & the subscribing witnesses to the within
 writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Nancy McPhee
 deceased, who being first sworn depose and say that they were acquain-
 ted with the testator in her life, and that she acknowledged
 the same in their presence to be her last will and testament upon
 the day it bears date, & Charles Rezin Fowler Clerk of our said Court
 at office the first Monday ^{and next day} of May, 1840. } Ch. Fowler. Clk.

Richard Butcher
 Do
 Last Will and
 Testament,

I, Richard Butcher do make and publish this as
 my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and
 annulling void all other Wills 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 possi-

ble, out of any moneys that I may be seized and possessed of, or soon
 come into the hands of my executor. Secondly, I desire that all my
 Real Estate, personal Estate, that have not heretofore devolved to my wife,
 Martha Butcher, Susan English, Elizabeth Hearney, and Satey Martin
 and their heirs, that the same be sold, and one thousand dollars out
 of the proceeds of the sale of the above named property, be equally
 divided between the five heirs of my daughter Polly Hill, she
 being dead, their names in as follows: Elizabeth Williamson,
 James Hill, Mary Greer, Martha Martin, and Peggy Hearney;
 and if there should be any money over and above the thousand
 dollars, that is to be divided amongst the five named above heirs
 of my daughter Polly Hill, shall be for the use of my wife
 Martha Butcher, Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint

my Executor, in witness whereof I do
 to this my will, set my hand and seal, this 28th day of May, 1841
 Richard Butcher

Signed sealed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our
 names in the presence of the testator;
 Joseph Banker,
 J. W. Butcher,
 Lucy is to be free after
 the death of my wife
 Martha Butcher.

State of Tennessee, } November Term of said County Court, A. D. 1841.
 Cannon County } Then personally appeared in open Court, Joseph Banker, one
 of the subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will and
 Testament, who being first sworn depose and say that he was acquain-
 ted with the said Richard Butcher (the Testator) in his life time, and that
 he acknowledged the same in his presence to be his last will and Testament upon
 the day it bears date, and also prove that J. W. Butcher the other subscribing
 witness, is the same as dead, and that he saw the said J. W. Butcher subscribe
 his name to the same &c. And also personally appeared in open Court Alexander
 Blanton, who being first sworn depose and say that he was acquainted with
 J. W. Butcher the other subscribing witness in his life time and that he is now dead
 and that he has saw him write and that he believes the signature purporting to be
 his genuine In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand at office this

1st day of November A. D. 1841; Reginald Fowler clerk of said
E. Cannon County Court
Registered at office in Woodbury November the 3rd day A. D. 1841-
E. R. Fowler clk

Gideon Rucker, In the name of God, Amen;
Do Last Will and Testament
I, Gideon Rucker of the County of Cannon, and State of
Tennessee, Being weak in Body, But sound and perfect
in Mind and Memory; Considering the uncertainty of this
mortal life; Do make and publish this my last
Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all others
in manner and form following to wit; 1st Item,
It is my desire that all my just debts be paid; I give and
bequeath to my son Thomas S. Rucker, 500 Acres of Land in Putnam
County, On Sinkers Creek; also 200 Acres lying in now Cannon County
On the waters of Stoner River, & Locke Creek; Which said Land, has
not been referred of by the said Thomas S. Rucker, and the power
applied to his Executors, Geo. W. Rogers, Ezekiel and Hannah,
to him and his heirs forever, 2^d I will and bequeath to my
son James Harvey Rucker, 550 Acres in Putnam County
near Blounts Lick, also two Negroes, John and Carter, to his
heirs forever, 3^d I give and bequeath to my Daughter, Elizabeth
Lobby, One Negro girl Pat, also nine hundred and eighty seven
dollars in Cash, which she has already received in hand to be and
remain here and her heirs forever, 4th I have given to my
daughter, Belinda Martin, the following Negroes to wit, William,
Phillie, and her two Children, Card and Nancy, also 100 Acres of
Land; On which she lived one Stoner River, which is all that
I ever intend for the heirs of said Belinda Martin, to remain here
and her heirs forever, 5th I give and bequeath to
my daughter, Sally Bell, the following Negroes to wit, Patrick
and Sylvia, and Pauline, also 114 Acres of Land in Putnam
County, including Blounts Lick, 7th I will and bequeath
to my daughter, Sophia B. Martin, the following Negroes to wit,
Henrietta, Gintersonne I wish it so understood, that in
consequence of any Daughter the said Sophia B. not having
her equal portion of Negro property, I will that she and
the heirs of her body have in addition to the negro girl

above named, Seven hundred and fifty dollars to be paid when
ever the division of property may take place, also one hundred
and twelve Acres of Land; Whereon she now lives, to remain
here and her heirs forever - 8th I give and bequeath to my
daughter, Mariah Louisa Weedon, the following Negroes to wit, Jane &
her Child, Jim, Wiche and Ellick, also 110 Acres of Land Whereon I now
live, including the mansion house, and other appurtenances, the balance
of said tract, about 100 acres, to belong to my daughter Elizabeth Lobby,
9th I give and bequeath to my daughter, Catharine P. Lanett, the
following Negroes to wit, Mahala, & her Child, Nathan and Nancy, also 100
acres of Land, in Putnam County, near Blounts Lick, and in consideration
of the fifty four acre tract, as an expense, she the said Catharine, P. is an-
nounceable in the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars to the other legatee
of the division of my Estate, 10th If my son James M. Rucker who
is now absent, and has been for the last three years in parts unknown
should return to this section of Tennessee, and demand his self pro-
perty, and affectionately as a child, I will and bequeath to him, the
tract of Land known as the Corn tract, of Land, on Stoner River and
containing about 124 Acres - 11th I give and bequeath unto my
wife, Spice Rucker, during her natural life, all of my Negro
property, not otherwise disposed of - namely, Lewis, Caleb, Juggy,
Rachael, Elcarbone, Amanda, Elong, Leaze, Lewis, Harriet
Joe, Edmund, Phoebe, Mestern, Martha and Sully together with
all my stock of Cows, disparture, also the Land hereunto annexed
and appurtenances, thereunto belonging, On which she now lives
and at her decease, the portion spoken of in the 9th Item, will
accrue to the benefit of said wife of Mariah, Louisa, Weedon,
12th It is my will that all the above named property as given to
my wife Spice Rucker during her natural life, shall at her death
be equally divided, as much in families, as may be, among the
different Legatees, so soon after her decease as practicable.
Lastly - I do hereby nominate and appoint, Thomas S.
Rucker, Daniel S. Weedon, J. L. Martin my Executors
In witness whereof, I do this my last will
set my hands and seal this 28th day of January 1842
Gideon Rucker
Signed, sealed and published in presence of us and we have subscribed our names
hereto in the presence of the testator, this 28th day of January 1842
Bennell Walkey Doct. 4/1/1842

State of Tennessee } March Term of said County Court A.D. 1842.
 Cannon County } Then personally appeared in open Court, Samuel Walker. One of the subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament, who being first sworn, depose and say, that he was acquainted with the said James Rucker (the Testator) in his life, and that he acknowledged the same in his presence to be his last Will and Testament on the day it bears date. Witness Rogin Fowler Clerk of said Court at Office this 3rd day of March A.D. 1842- R. Fowler Clk

State of Tennessee } April Term of said County Court A.D. 1842-
 Cannon County } Then personally appeared in open Court, Dozier Bragg, One of the subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament, who being first sworn, depose and say that he was acquainted with the said James Rucker (the Testator) in his life, and that he acknowledged the same in his presence to be his last Will and Testament, upon the day it bears date. Witness Rogin Fowler, Clerk of said Court at Office this first Monday in April A.D. 1842- R. Fowler Clk

Registered at Office April the 14th A.D. 1842- R. Fowler Clk

Knox Association } State of Tennessee Cannon County }
 Do } A. Knox Association, being weak in body, yet of sound mind and proper recollection, do publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore by me made (viz)
 1st I will that all my last debts & funeral Expenses be paid out of any estate.
 2^d I give and bequeath to my wife Parmira S. Association, One Cornell mare & Cotts, Two Choice Cows and Calves, One Choice Sow, Eight head of hogs, of the second Choice, all my Sheeps, One Penas, and Square table, all of my other three beds and furniture, all of my cooking utensils & cupboard and furniture, One axe, one hoe, one plow and team, One Saddle and bridle, one Lad Stand, one Cotton Wheel, Reel, & one pair of Cotton Cards, One Sugar Chest, & one Speare prism -
 3^d I give and bequeath to my son James B. One bed and furniture, one half round table & one Red and white spotted Cow.

4th I give and bequeath to my son Samuel M. One bed and furniture, One Candle Stand & fifty Dollars in Money -
 5th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sally M. One Bed & furniture one Penas.
 6th I will that all my property, Except the above named 150 Dollars, & after allowing my son Samuel M. the above named fifty Dollars, the Balance of said property to be Equally Divided Between my wife & all of my heirs surviving seven Equal Shares.
 I hereby appoint Alexander M. Wright to Execute this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I do set my hand and seal to this my last will this 11th day of April, 1842.

Witness within
 Alexander M. Wright
 William Reynolds Secy of Court
 State of Tennessee } May Term of said County Court A.D. 1842-
 Cannon County } Then personally appeared in open Court, Alexander Wright and William Reynolds two of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Knox Association Edward, who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with the said Knox Association the Testator in his lifetime and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will and Testament on the day it bears date. Witness Rogin Fowler Clerk of said Court at Office this first Monday in July A.D. 1842- R. Fowler Clk
 Registered at Office July the 8th A.D. 1842- R. Fowler Clk.

William Marcum } State of Tennessee }
 Do } I William Marcum of the county of Cannon and
 Last Will and Testament } do make and publish this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me or any one herebefore made by me in said County in a manner suitable to my condition in life, and as to such (worldly Estate, as it hath pleased God to bestow on me withal, I dispose of the same as follows: (to wit) First that I desire that my wife Patience Davis Marcum shall have and to hold my Land, about five Acres, during her natural life. Then after her death, then to be Equally divided between my three sons - Samuel Marcum, Morgan Marcum, Charles Marcum. I wish my wife to have all my household and Kitchen Furniture, also one Cornell mare and saddle, and all the farming tools, two Cows and Calves and ten head of Sheeps, two fine hogs and eight Swine, One Cart and yoke of Oxen, and all of the rest that is now in hand. I wish for all of the rest of my Estate

On a twelve month's Credit. The proceeds after all my debts is settled, I wish
 to be Equally divided, betwixt all my Children, Samuel, Marcy, George, Marcy,
 Charles, Marcy, Pledge, Marcy, Polly, Marcy, Melinda Jane, Marcy, Martha,
 Harriett. I do hereby bequeath and appoint Robert, M. Stephens my
 Executor, after being my last will and Testament, signed and sealed
 this 15th day of July 1842, in presence of Wm. M. Marcy, Edw.
 George, Pledge, Bartlett, Marcy, Robert, M. Stephens.

State of Tennessee }
 County of }
 I, the undersigned, Clerk of said County Court, do hereby certify that the within
 paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of William, Marcy and
 Marcy Jane his wife, do come before me and say that they are acquainted with the said
 William, Marcy, the testator in his life, and that he acknowledged the same in
 their presence to be his last and best and last will and Testament upon the
 day it bears date. Witness my hand and seal of said County Court at office
 this first Monday of July, A. D. 1842. R. Fowler clk

Registered at Office July the 9th A. D. 1842. R. Fowler clk

David M. Knight }
 Do }
 Last Will and Testament }
 Common County Tennessee, August the 15th 1842
 Calling to mind the uncertainty of Life and
 the certainty of death, I do hereby wish
 to make the following Will and Testament:

In the first place, that all my Just debts be paid, from the
 proceeds of my real property, I make it to be the desire
 of my said wife's inheritance, that she be kept in the
 of the crop and sold, and such other property as my wife
 and other Executors think can be best shared, until all the
 debts are paid. In the 2nd place, I appoint my beloved wife
 Martha M. Knight, James, G. B. M. Knight and John M.
 M. Knight my Executors. They can sell as much or as little
 of the stock or horses, as they may think advisable at any
 time. So that the family may be raised and educated in plain
 style, my wife to have the use of all the property so long as
 she remains a widow, or until it will be necessary
 to divide off, with the children, as they come of age, or
 marry. If she should think that it would add to her happiness or the
 interest of the family to marry, I will that she may have what
 may be considered a liberal divide of the property. The balance

of my personal property, to be divided equally amongst my children
 that are now at Home. I consider that Cassius, has got his divide
 until the land and horses are divided, which I do not design
 until all the children are of age, then for each to get an equal
 share, who are living of them or their children. It is my wish
 that my children all remain at Home with their mother, and assist
 her in raising the free members of the family. Signed in the
 presence of me

Test J. A. Farrow
 Witness
 David M. Knight

State of Tennessee }
 County of }
 I, the undersigned, Clerk of said County Court, do hereby certify that the within
 paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of David M. Knight and
 Marcy Jane his wife, do come before me and say that they are acquainted with the said
 David M. Knight, the testator in his life, and that he acknowledged the same in
 their presence to be his last and best and last will and Testament upon the
 day it bears date. Witness my hand and seal of said County Court at office
 this first Monday of July, A. D. 1842. R. Fowler clk

Registered at Office July the 9th A. D. 1842. R. Fowler clk

Registered at Office September the 10th A. D. 1842.
 R. Fowler clk

James Scott }
 Do }
 Last Will and Testament }
 I James Scott do hereby make and publish
 this as my last will and Testament. First
 I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Scott
 for her support, and for the support and
 maintenance of my son George Scott who is not of sound mind, and
 also the support and maintenance of my son Plover Scott
 who is a Cripple, and the support and maintenance of my
 wife's mother, Polly Jane Corne. On condition of her maintaining
 on the plantation a lot of my wife's Mary Scott, all my household
 and kitchen furniture, fifty barrels of corn, to be taken
 out of my present crop, twenty head of hogs, one cow and
 calf, the southern cow with bowed horns, also five pieces of
 all my fess. Also I give and bequeath unto my wife Mary
 Scott the possession here and present, and enjoyment of the place
 on which I now live, lying on the Stage Road leading from

Woodbury to Mr. Minville containing one hundred and thirty five
 and a half acres - Do long as she may live (or during her widowhood
 only) I readily after my death I wish all my property (land & Cattle)
 to be as early as possible sold or it can be (only such as is given above
 to my wife) and out of the money that shall come into the hands
 of my Executor from the sale of the same; I wish my funeral
 Expenses and all my little debts - Thirdly - After the death of
 my wife Mary South, I wish my land to be sold immediately & a
 sufficient sum, and my Executor to receive the same. Fourthly, I
 wish my son George South, to have one third of the Life
 Interest of my lands and my son Henry South to have one third
 of the Life Interest of my lands, and finally I wish the remain-
 der of my Estate in the house from the same to be Equa-
 lly divided between my other four children viz; Mary, the
 said Elizabeth, James South, and Mary South, and Henry
 South, and finally and lastly I do nominate and ap-
 point Patrick Fanning Esquire Executor of my Estate in
 writing hereunto and have hereunto set my hand and seal
 to this my will, This the 3rd day of September 1839.
 Witness present
 Patrick Fanning
 James South

State of Tennessee
 Cannon County
 I, John Fowles, Clerk of the
 Court of the District of the County of Cannon, Tennessee,
 do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and
 correct copy of the last will and testament of James South, as
 the same appears by the original thereof, which is lying
 in my office, and that the said James South, was at the time
 of the making of the same, in his full mind and memory, and
 of legal age, and that he acknowledged the same in their presence
 to be his last will, upon the 3rd day of September 1839.
 Witness my hand and seal of office, this 10th day of October A.D. 1839.
 J. Fowles, Clerk

Registered at office in Woodbury, October the 6th 1839
 J. Fowles, Clerk

James Odom, In the name of God Amen,
 I, James Odom, being of sound mind and memory, do hereby
 make and publish my last will and Testament, That is to say, I give my soul to
 God who gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent way, at the
 discretion of my Executor, And as touching such worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless
 me with I dispose of it in the following manner, viz; Firstly, I give and bequeath unto my
 wife Mary Odom, a part of my Land Commencing at the Creek below the Hatfield running so as to intersect
 the fence running with said cross fence to the woods, and to continue the same direc-
 tion to my next boundary line, thence with my line South to the south west corner of
 my Land, thence East to the creek, also, the little meadow lying East of the creek,
 all the Household & Kitchen furniture, One Woman's saddle, One very nice card
 table, Charles, two cow's calves, fifteen head of sheep, five head of great China hogs, &
 One sow & pigs, One spoke of Oxen & cart, also two slaves Charity and Harry also
 all the farming Utensils all during her widowhood, I give and bequeath to my
 beloved daughter Maryann, a certain Gray Horse called Peter, One cow which is now
 at Lemuel J. Hooper's, One Woman's saddle, one Red Bedstead's furniture, & the head
 of Cows, and at the death of my wife, if she should survive me, I want the slave
 Richard or at the discretion of a majority of my Sons, I bequeath also the land added
 to my wife, to be sold to the highest bidder, with the rest of my Land, or in such par-
 cels as the Executor may think desirable, The Land not allotted to my wife to be
 rented out, or otherwise disposed of, at the discretion of the Executor, The balance
 of my property not disposed of as above named, I want sold to the highest bidder on
 a twelve Month credit, & if any of my sons purchase any property at the sale
 of the Executor, is not to force the money out of them, but settle with each leg-
 al purchaser at the sale, by taking their receipts for their distributive part, before
 such sale, which shall be the same to the Executor, as if they paid the money -
 I wish the distributive part of the proceeds of the first & last sale, of my property
 going to my daughter Daphnia Hooper, to be retained in the hands of my Executor
 whom I wish to pay over, to the said Daphnia Hooper, from time to time, until she
 is a year or her majority requires, if she survives her husband L. J. Hooper
 I want my Executor to pay over the balance remaining in their hands, to make
 her Equal with the rest of my heirs, if the said L. J. Hooper should survive the
 said Daphnia, I want my Executor, to pay to the Heirs of the body of the said
 Daphnia Hooper, as they become of age, their pro rata distribution of the amount
 in the hands of my Executor, intended as above named for my daughter Daphnia
 Hooper, On the proviso, she should survive the said L. J. Hooper, The balance
 of the proceeds of the sale, of my property, I want to be paid to the

Between my children to wit ^{Wm} Le Odum, James S. Odum, Samuel L. Odum, Benjamin F. Odum, Reading M. Odum, Shadrack J. Odum, John M. Odum, & Maryam Odum. And last I do chose and appoint my sons, William L. Odum, & James S. Odum, The sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament. Revoking all other gifts, Legacies, or bequestations to by me made, Ratifying this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixd my seal this 3^d day of June 1843.

(Witnessed before signed) James Odum

Test John Harris, Saml L. Odum & W. F. Odum

State of Tennessee } May Term of said County Court A D. 1843.
 Cannon County } Then personally appeared in open Court John Harris, One of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of James Odum deceased, who being first sworn depose and say that he was acquainted with the said James Odum the Testator in his life, and that he acknowledged the same in his presence to be his last will &c. On the day it bears date also John M. Sumner, who being first sworn depose and say that he was acquainted with the testator in his life. That he has seen him write and that he believes the foregoing signature purporting to be his are genuine. Witness Rezin Fowler, Clerk of said County Court at office this first Monday in May A D. 1843.

R. Fowler Clk

Registered at office in Woodbury May the 2^d 1843 - R. Fowler Clk

Ansil Metton
 Last Will and Testament &c.

In the name of God Amen. I Ansil Metton being of sound and perfect mind and memory beed be God do this second day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and forty two make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner following That is to say (First) I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary, during her natural life all that tract or parcel of Land whereon I now live and at her death or marriage the spouse and land to be sold and Equally divided amongst all my Children. And the heirs of Chira Metton to draw an Equal part, and all other Lands belonging to my Estate at my death to be sold and Equally divided amongst all my Children. William Metton and James Metton Equal share of the Land to be sold and divided. And all my Hatched and farming utensils - Hens and Cott. Hens and haddons two cows and calves. Sheep, and Hogs and Cuckies geese, and five hundred and fifty dollars worth of notes. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Metton during her natural life or widowhood and also my Blacksmith tools and the stand and all my children of their work in

the have done heretofore. And all other stock to be sold at my death and Equally divided amongst all my Children. William Metton and James Metton to draw Equal share with the rest of the Children. I do hereby give and bequeath to my son James Metton that tract of Land which he holds my bond for Debt for the deed to be made according to it. I Ansil Metton Do hereby make and ordain my worthy friend John Metton Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I the said Ansil Metton have to this my last will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written. Signed Sealed, published and declared by the said Ansil Metton the Testator as his last will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing of the same.

Test Luke Shibly, James P. Perry -

Ansil Metton

State of Tennessee } August Term of said County Court A D. 1843.
 Cannon County } Then personally appeared in open Court Luke Shibly and James P. Perry subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Ansil Metton deceased who being first sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with said Testator in his life, and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will and Testament On the day it bears date. Witness Rezin Fowler, Clerk of said County Court at office this first Monday and 7th day of August A D. 1843.

R. Fowler Clk

Registered at Office 8th August A D. 1843. R. Fowler Clk of said County Court

Cyrus L. Roberts
 Last Will and Testament &c.

In the name of God Amen.
 I Cyrus L. Roberts, being weak in body, but in my right mind, and knowing death is certain and life uncertain. And being desirous to arrange my business whilst in my right mind make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. (Wig) My will is that my beloved wife Patsy Roberts, have all my farm on both sides of the River during her life time (or widowhood) till my son Calvin is twenty One years old. Then my will is that he (Calvin) have all my lands on the west of the River and and fifty dollar, and One bed & furniture and one cow & calf & this is the appointment allotted to him. And then my will is that my wife Patsy Roberts have all the farm East of the River, during her widowhood and care the Mary, I will continue on the place my will is that she have between the Road & River, with the headpiece of the Barn and Spring Lot, together with my Messuage house House Lods, Horse, furniture, and farming utensils. Then

East. Two Cows also two of her Choice Horses. and all the black and
 twenty five of her Choice Hogs. My will also is that the ~~Share~~ share of my Effects
 be Equally divided between my heirs and that James Roberts & my wife
 Patsy Roberts be appointed to administer to A Leathy Moore a proportionable
 part as they may think proper, for her sustent. My will is after the death of
 my wife all the Estate then belonging to her be sold and Equally divided
 among my Children. And that James M Roberts be requested then
 to see that Elthe Moore have her part, as he may think she needs
 it. I also wish at the division of my Estate for all of my Children to
 have sixty dollars in money, as James M. Roberts has had that amount
 and then he have an Equal division with the balance. My will
 also is that after my business is all settled, that the money now due
 me and the money arising from the sales of my Effects, be given to my
 wife for the purpose of purchasing a Negro Woman, if she please to do so
 My will also is that Granville Roberts have one bed & furniture. One
 Cow & calf before the division of the Estate. My will also is that if my wife
 Patsy Roberts purchase a Negro. At the decease of said wife she Negro with
 the increase being to my heirs. Further my request is that my wife
 Patsy Roberts, James M. Roberts & Granville Roberts be appointed
 Executor to Execute & Carry out this my will. Signed read and Counted
 by me Abrie the 5th 1843. Reque L. Roberts ^{Exec}

West Calvin Coulee }
 John James M. Clay } State of Tennessee, Cannon County
 October Term of said County Court A.D. 1843.
 Then personally appeared in Open Court Calvin Coulee
 and John James M. Clay, Subscribing witnesses to the
 within paper writing purporting to be the Last will and
 Testament of Cyrus L. Roberts deceased. Who being first
 sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with the said
 Cyrus L. Roberts (The Testator) in his life, and that they saw
 him assign seal and Execute and acknowledge the same in
 their presence, to be his Last will & Testament on the
 day it bears date (with the exceptions) of a slight alteration
 on the 13th and 14th line on the first page of the same, which
 lines said witnesses testify has been altered since the Execution
 of the same. Witness Requin Fowler Clerk of our said
 County Court at Office this 7th Monday in October 1843
 Reported to ^{the} October 1843 } R. Fowler. ^{clerk}

Edward Gilley
 To }
 Last Will & Testament.

It now all men by these presence that I Edward
 Gilley, do make and publish this as my Last will
 and Testament, hereby revoking, and making void
 all other Wills by me at any time made. First, I direct that my fun-
 eral Expence, and all my debts to be paid as soon after my death as possi-
 ble, out of any monies that I am or may be possessed of or may first come into the hands
 of my Executor. Second, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Gilley a
 certain tract or parcel of land on which she now lives, on during her natural
 life time, then to be sold and Equally divided between her lawful heirs, with
 the stock of all kinds, to be hers and hers alone, to manage as she thinks best
 with all the farming utensils, belonging to the farm, also one lot of
 Black Smith tools, all the above with the exception of one Bay Horse
 called Bob, that horse I will to my daughter Rebecca, Gilley and
 lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint, Mary Gilley Executor
 In witness whereof I do this my wife set my hand and seal this
 the 24th day of March 1844, Edward Gilley ^{in my} ^{presence}
 Signed read and published, in our presence, and we have subscribed
 our names hereto, in the presence of the Testator, this the 24th day of
 March 1844. Attest Luke Shirley, Josiah Banks.
 State of Tennessee
 Cannon County.

April Term of said County Court A.D. 1844. Then personally appeared
 in Open Court Josiah Banks and Luke Shirley Subscribing witnesses to the
 within paper writing purporting to be the Last will and Testament of
 Edward Gilley deceased. Who being first sworn depose and say that they
 acquainted with the Testator in his life and that he acknowledged the same
 in their presence, to be his Last will on the day it bears date.
 Witness Requin Fowler Clerk of said County Court at office
 this first Monday and 3^d day of June A.D. 1844. R. Fowler. ^{clerk}

Revised at office June the 4th A.D. 1844. R. Fowler. ^{clerk}

John M. Mc Knight,
Doz
Last Will and Testament

To wit,
I John M. Mc Knight do make & publish this as my last will and Testament, the only revoking and thinking void in other wills by me at any time made, - First - That my funeral Expenses and all my debts be paid, as soon after my death as possible, out of any quantity that I may die seized & possessed of or may justly come into the hands of my Executors. Secondly - I direct that my beloved wife Abigail M. Mc Knight shall have her dower, to live on the plantation on which I now live, so long as she may live, & I also the use of the household and Kitchen furniture, or so much as she and my Executors may consider sufficient for her use, and that she shall have the use of a man her, each and every year a Negro Girl - Thirdly - I direct that my eight lawful Heirs, to wit, Albert M. Mc Knight, Mary E. Mc Knight, Alexander M. Mc Knight, James D. Mc Knight, Margaret J. Mc Knight, Joseph D. Mc Knight, William J. Mc Knight, and Thomas P. E. Mc Knight shall have in Cash Shewers, in my Estate and the said J. D. Mc Knight and Mary E. Mc Knight, having received to the amount of their hundred and forty dollars Cash - Fourthly - I direct that Alexander M. Mc Knight and Lucinda H. Mc Knight, shall have a tract of land lying in Cannon County and bounded as follows - to wit, on the north by the land of Wm. R. Sherr, on the south by Rose M. Knight, on the west by the land of Alexander M. Knight and Bennett Necker, which is to be divided equally between them and is to their three amount come to the amount Received by Albert M. and Mary E. Mc Knight Fifty - I direct that as each one of the next four Heirs, because of Cash are that they shall have to the amount of Personal property amounting to two hundred and twenty eight dollars The property to be Rated as property Rated in the years of 1833 and 1834, and each one of the said Heirs shall be entitled to the amount of two hundred and twelve dollars, & 50 cts. with Interest from the time each one of them becomes of lawful age, and the said Mrs

which I now live, is to be sold and each one the heirs suppose mentioned, to wit, Margaret Jane Mc Knight, Joseph D. Mc Knight Rankin J. Mc Knight, and Wm. P. E. Mc Knight, shall be entitled, to the amount heretofore specified. The Land upon which I now live, and a lot that I own at Woodbury is to be sold at the time the youngest one of the heirs, first mentioned, becomes of lawful age, and the division there to be made equally as before directed - Lastly - I do hereby nominate and appoint, Abigail H. Mc Knight, Albert M. Mc Knight, and Alexander M. Mc Knight my Executors - In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 21st day of September 1842,

John M. Mc Knight
Signed, sealed, and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the Testators this 21st day of September 1842 -
Test. Alexander M. Mc Knight
James J. Co. Mc Knight

State of Tennessee Cannon County
November Term of said County Court A. D. 1844
Then personally appeared in open Court Alexander M. Knight and James J. Co. Mc Knight subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John M. Mc Knight deceased - and after being duly sworn depone and say that they were acquainted with the said John M. Mc Knight the Testator in his life and that he signed and acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will and Testament, on the day it bears date. Witness Regim Fowler Esq. of our said County Court at office this first Monday and 4th day of November A. D. 1844 -

W. Fowler
Registered at office in Woodbury, November the 18th day 1844 -
W. Fowler Clerk of Cannon County Court

James Mitchell
Do 3
Last Will & Testament

Do wit
I know all men by these presents that I James Mitchell of Cannon County, State of Tennessee being of advanced age and infirm in body, but of sound mind knowing that a period to mature my time must be short in this life Do consider and make this my last will and Testament. First I do give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Mitchell, all my Real Estate and personal ~~estate~~ property for her my beloved wife's support and maintenance during her natural life time Also I will all money and notes or bond of all descriptions after my debts are paid, to my beloved wife Nancy her natural life for her use and benefit. Secondly, I do give and bequeath to my beloved nephew Jesse Gilliam all of the same named property both real and personal, known or expected of all descriptions what soever it may be at the death of my beloved wife Nancy, to be his forever, with the exception of my Negro Woman Ann - It being my will that my Negro woman Ann at the death of my beloved wife Nancy shall have the privilege of choosing a master to serve for life - I hereunto affix my hand and seal this the 13th day of June 1844.

Test Lewis Letton
Jonathan Wharrey

his
James + Mitchell Seal
mark

Codicil, to my last will & Testament.
Further it is my will that my Negro Woman Ann above named is not to be sold but is to be free as the Law of the County will admit of. She is to live amongst my Connection where she may chose - & further that my nephew Jesse Gilliam will protect her and see her Rights in all things whatsoever. It is further my will that my nephew Jesse Gilliam shall be my sole Executor, of this my Last Will and Testament. I hereunto affix my hand & seal this the 13th day of June 1844.

Test Lewis Letton
Jonathan Wharrey

his
James + Mitchell Seal
mark

State of Tennessee
Cannon County
July Term of said County Court A.D. 1845.
Then personally appeared in open Court Lewis Letton and Jonathan Wharrey Subscribed Witnesses to the within Paper writing

purporting to be the last Will and Testament of James Mitchell deceased, also to the Codicil thereto annexed, who being first sworn before and say that they were acquainted with the said James Mitchell the Testator in his life time, and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament, together with the Codicil thereto annexed, on the day it bears date Witness Regim Fowler Clerk of said County Court at Office this first Monday and 9th day of July. A.D. 1845.
R. Fowler. Wk.
Registered at Office July the 24th A.D. 1845. at 3 O'clock

Benjamin Lawrence
Do 3
Last Will & Testament

Do wit
I Benjamin Lawrence of the County of Cannon and State of Tennessee Do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I desire that my funeral Expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of my money; that I may die seized and possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executors. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Lawrence (Two tracts of Land lying in the County & State aforesaid on the waters of the East Fork of States River One of the tracts aforesaid being the same on which I now reside containing about one hundred and two acres and the other tract of ten or eight acres lying East of and adjoining said first mentioned tract of Land) During her natural life and after her death to Andrew Jackson Philips and Benjamin Franklin Lawrence my Grand sons and their heirs and assigns forever. Further it is my desire that my wife Mary have all my personal property for her better maintenance and support during her widowhood and also her natural life provided she marry not again, but not otherwise, and after which any or all of said personal property that may be remaining, that the same be divided equally between my grand children herein named to wit Mary Caroline, Henry Jefferson and Dalg Lawrence (daughters & sons of my son Jesse Lawrence) And Martha Mary & Margaret Philips

Further it is my will that my Negro Woman Ann above named is not to be sold but is to be free as the Law of the County will admit of. She is to live amongst my Connection where she may chose - & further that my nephew Jesse Gilliam will protect her and see her Rights in all things whatsoever. It is further my will that my nephew Jesse Gilliam shall be my sole Executor, of this my Last Will and Testament. I hereunto affix my hand & seal this the 13th day of June 1844.

Daughter of my son in law, Samuel Phillips and his wife Elizabeth
 Thirdly, whereas heretofore I have made provision for my son in law
 David Barratt and his wife Martha, by bestowing many gifts
 of property to them as also other goods by me to them granted
 It is my desire that the said David Barratt and his wife
 Martha or either of them have no more of my property on any
 part thereof real or personal. Lastly, I do hereby man in etc
 and appoint my beloved wife Mary & Jesse Lawrence my Exec-
 utrix and Executor - In witness whereof I do to this my
 Last will and Testament set my hand and seal. This the
 14th day of October 1843. Benjamin Lawrence ^{his} ~~deed~~
 signed Read and published in our presence
 and we have subscribed our names hereto
 in the presence of the Testator. This 14th
 day of October 1843.
 A. F. Todd
 Tho. G. Wood.

State of Tennessee
 Columbia County

August Term of said County Court A. D. 1845.

Then personally appeared in open Court Alexander F. Todd
 and Thomas G. Wood Subscribing witnesses to the within paper
 writing purporting to be the Last will and Testament of Benjamin
 Lawrence deceased who being first sworn to depose and say that
 they were acquainted with the said Benjamin Lawrence the Testator
 in his life and that he assigned and acknowledged the same
 in their presence to be his Last will & Testament on the day
 or days aforesaid - Witness Merzine Howler Clerk of said
 County Court at Office this first Monday and 4th day of
 August - A. D. 1845. N. Fowler. Clk.

Registered at Office in Woodbury August the 2nd A. D. 1845
 N. Fowler Clk.

Henry Ford
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 Last Will and
 Testament.

To wit

Be it known to all that these presents may con-
 cern. that I Henry Ford have this day made

this my Last will & Testament, it being the second day of October in the
 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four - The same being
 as follows viz. It is my will & wish that my Land together with the Heir
 rights and Appurtenances thereunto belonging with all the balance of my
 Estate both real and personal. Be and the same doth belong to
 my beloved wife Mary Ford during her widowhood at the expiration of which
 time or widowhood aforesaid Be it known that I Henry Ford do give and
 bequeath the aforesaid Land the same being the Land withon I now live and
 one bed and furniture, to my beloved son Henry M Ford to be to him an Estate
 in fee simple to him and his heirs forever. Furthermore be it known
 that at the death or expiration of the widowhood of my beloved wife Mary
 Ford my just debts being paid it is my will and wish that all the person-
 al Estate or property belonging to my Estate with Exception aforesaid Be
 and furniture that I bequeath to my beloved son Henry M Ford Be and to
 the highest bidder or Auctioneer within Credit and the proceeds of the
 Sale equally divided between and among my beloved daughter Mary
 Jane P. St John, Elizabeth M. Stodderton Mary V. Moore, Catharine
 Le Miller Larina M. Lawrence, and Nancy M. Moore the same
 to be for the use of them and their children. Be it known furthermore
 that the my beloved son Markly S Ford Richard C. Ford, and George
 F Ford have no part in this my Last will & Testament. Because I
 have given to them their portion Be it known furthermore if Henry M
 Ford my son to whom I have given my Land should die leaving no heir
 It is my will and wish that the aforesaid Land should be sold to the highest
 bidder for a twelve month credit and the proceeds of the Sale be divid-
 ed equally among and between all the surviving of my children that is all
 my children that are living in the world at that time he said be
 by me this day and date above written Henry Ford ~~deed~~
 set Benjamin Dobb James Wood Wm B. Evans (Deceased as former) Joseph
 Moore and Gemp S. Ford Executors Appointed by me the Testator
 Henry Ford no sale at the present till after the death or widowhood of
 my wife Mary Ford (N. B) the foregoing endorsement at and on
 the Back of the original will which is on file in my office and was
 on the same when proven in open Court N. Fowler Clk.

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 State of Tennessee, December Term of the County Court A.D. 1845.
 Cannon County, Then personally appeared in open Court Benjamin Sapp and William
 B. Perkins two of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purporting to be
 the last will and Testament of Henry Hod deceased who being first sworn depone
 and say that they are acquainted with the said Deftator in his life and that he
 acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will and Testament on
 upon the day it bears date. Witnesses Rezin Fowler Clerk of said County
 Court at Office this first Monday and 5th day of December A.D. 1845
 R. Fowler Clk.

Registered & at Office in Woodbury December the 3rd A.D. 1846

William Hollis Sr. I William - Follis Sr. of the County of
 Cannon and State of Tennessee do make and
 Last Will & Testament. I publish this my last Will & Testament, freely saying
 and making void all former Wills, by me at any time heretofore made and
 first I direct that my body be decently interred in a Manner suitable to
 my Condition in life. And as to such worldly goods as I have placed
 God to intend me with I dispose of the same as follows. First I direct
 that all my debts & funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as
 possible out of any monies that I may be possessed of or may
 first come into the hand of my Executor from any portion of my Estate
 real or personal. Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
 Elizabeth Hollis, my home plantation containing one hundred and
 fifty acres including all buildings, orchards &c. also one horse &
 two cows & one yearling heifer & three yearling cow three and nine head
 of sheep, with all the household property during her natural life
 Thirdly I bequeath to my son John Hollis six dollars
 Fourthly I bequeath to my daughter Susannah Payne six dollars
 Fifthly I bequeath to my daughter Love Payne, six dollars
 Sixthly I do bequeath to my son Jesse Hollis, six dollars.
 Seventhly I do bequeath to the heir of my daughter Rachel Disher six dollars.
 Eighthly I do bequeath to my son William Hollis, sum at the decease of
 my wife Elizabeth Hollis, the hundred and fifty acres I will, to
 her during her natural life, with the household furniture and
 other property above mentioned left to her to be his power. I do hereby
 make ordain & appoint my two sons Jesse Hollis & William Hollis
 Executors of this my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I William
 Hollis here the said Testator, have to this my last will & Testament
 written on one sheet of paper, set my hand and seal the

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 twelfth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
 hundred and forty five. William Follis Seal
 Signed, read and published in the presence
 of us who have subscribed in the presence
 of the Testator and of each other.
 William Thompson, Richard Macey
 John Finley

State of Tennessee, December Term of said County Court A.D. 1846.
 Cannon County, Then personally appeared in open Court William
 Thompson and Richard Macey, two of the Subscrib
 ing Witnesses to the within Paper writing purporting to be the last
 will & Testament of William Follis deceased, who being first sw
 on-depose and say that they were acquainted with the said
 William Follis Sr. deceased, the Testator in his life, and that
 he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last
 will & Testament on the day it bears date. Witnesses Rezin Fowler
 Clerk of said County Court at Office this first Monday and 7th
 day of December A.D. 1846. R. Fowler Clk.
 Registered at Office in Woodbury the 10th day of December 1846 R. Fowler Clk.

Edmund Taylor do Last Will & Testament	In the name of God Amen I Edmund Taylor being of sound mind & Memory - but calling to mind the uncertainty of life, do make this my last will & Testament I Commit my soul to God who gave it & my body to be buried in a decent manner, I wish all my just debts paid in the first instance. My will is that the portions of my sons, John, Nathaniel & Edmund shall be made equal to the advancements have made to any other children. The Balance of my Estate both Real and Personal I give to my wife, to use Occupy and enjoy, during her natural life, and after her death, after making the shares of my children equally. To be divided among my children, I appoint my wife my sole Executor to act as such during her natural life time & I do not require her to give any security as Executor, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 12 th day of December 1842. Edmund Taylor Witnesses James Taylor Wood W. D. Brown & R. G. Taylor
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State of Tennessee, May Term of said County Court A.D. 1847.
 Cannon County, Then personally appeared in open court
 James Taylor and James Wood, two of the
 Subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purporting to
 be the Last Will & Testament of Edmund Taylor deceased
 who being first sworn depose and say that they were acquainted
 with the said Edmund Taylor the Testator in his life, and that
 he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last
 Will &c. on the day it bears date. Witness Rezin Fowler
 Clerk of our said County Court at office, this first Monday
 3^d day of May A.D. 1847. R. Fowler Clk.
 Registered at office in Woodbury May the 5th A.D. 1847.

Anderson West
 To
 Last Will & Testament

In the name of God amen
 I, Anderson West of the county of Cannon
 and State of Tennessee being in my proper
 mind and better consideration and

without the persuasions of a companion children or relatives
 do for the benefit and welfare of my companion Martha R. West
 and her children bequeath my property in the following
 manner I bequeath to my dear companion Martha R. West
 all the right and title that I have in certain tract of land
 in Cannon County Tennessee during her widowhood life
 or good behavior I give in devise to my dear wife and
 my dear cows hogs and sheep all the above named property
 shall remain in the hands of my companion after all
 debts are paid I further bequeath that after the death
 or marriage of my companion Martha R. West of these
 remains my property personal or real estate that this
 property should be equally divided among my children
 this is my last request having the welfare of my companion
 Martha R. West and her children near my heart This
 October the 11th 1848

Signed and sealed in the presence of

Edw. Campbell
 Jas. H. Lance

his
 Anderson West (Seal)
 mark

State of Tennessee
 Cannon County

January Term of said County Court A.D. 1848

Then personally appeared in open court E. H. Campbell and John
 F. Lance subscribing witnesses to the within paper writing purport-
 -ing to be the last Will and Testament of Anderson West deceased
 who being first sworn depose and say that they are acquainted
 with the said Anderson West the Testator in his life time
 and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his
 last Will and Testament in the day it bears date Witness
 Rezin Fowler Clerk of said County Court at office this first
 Monday and third day of January 1848 and of the American
 Independence the 73rd day
 Registered at office in Woodbury January the 12th A.D. 1848
 R. Fowler Clk.

James Taylor
 To
 Last Will & Testament

In the name of God amen

I James Taylor of the State of Tennessee
 and County of Cannon do Revoking all others, appoint this
 my last and only Will and Testament, Being of sound and
 perfect mind and memory. Blessed be God.
 Item. My devise is that my just debt be paid.
 Item. I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth Rebecca Taylor the
 Tract of Land whereon I now live, there being about three
 hundred Acres be the same more or less. I also give to my
 beloved wife Elizabeth R. Taylor, Eighteen Negroes, three
 Slaves, Old George, his wife Susan, and five children
 that is Naira, Martha, Daniel, William Louisa Sultanna
 with her five children. Their names are Mary, Louisa, John
 Francis, and Robert Henry, Sarah James, Thomas and his
 wife Louisa, and child Caroline

State of Tennessee, January Term of said County Court A.D. 1848
 Cannon County, Then personally appeared in open court John D. Watson and

James Wood, and R. Fowler, who being first sworn depose

and say that they were acquainted with the said James Taylor alone in
 in his life, and that they have seen him write, and that they believe the
 going paper writing, purporting to be the Last Will & Testament of said
 Taylor deceased is every part in the hand write of the said decedent.
 Witness Rezin Fowler Clerk of our said County Court at office this first Monday

