

Monday October Term 1850. There was

The last will and testament of David Nelson deceased was exhibited in open Court by Thomas St. Nelson the executor named in said will for probate. And thereupon Jacob Cameron one of the subscribing witnesses to said will bearing date the twentieth day of May 1848 in the presence and at the request of David Nelson the testator who acknowledged the same to be his last will and testament, and who was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time said will bore date. And a subpoena having been issued by the direction of this Court at the instance of the executor named in said will for Thomas Baggett and Mason R. Lyon two of the other subscribing witnesses to said will and also for Thomas P. Benson and John Singletary as witnesses in this matter and it being shown by the return of Samuel Bright a Deputy Sheriff of Carter County, endorsed in said subpoena and bearing date this day that Thomas Baggett is not to be found in his County and is now absent from this State and that Mason R. Lyon is not to be found in his County and resides out of this State probably in Alabama and it being further proved before this Court by the oath of Thomas P. Benson a witness duly sworn and examined in open Court, that Mason P. Benson the other subscribing witness to said will has departed this life the Court proceeded to hear secondary proof (in addition to the testimony of Jacob Cameron the only subscribing witness to be found) touching the execution of the last will and testament. And thereupon it was proved ~~that~~ open Court by the evidence of Thomas P. Benson a witness sworn and examined in open Court that he is acquainted with the hand writing of Madison J. Benson one of the subscribing witnesses to said will and that he believes the signature of Madison J. Benson as a witness to said will is genuine and in the proper hand writing of said Madison J. Benson and it was also proved in open Court by John Singletary and Jacob Cameron witnesses duly sworn and examined in open Court that they are acquainted with the hand writing of Thomas Baggett and Mason R. Lyon two of the subscribing witnesses to the said will, and that they believe the signatures of each of the ~~other~~ ^{said} subscribing witnesses to this said will are genuine and in their own proper hand writing respectively. The hand writing of Mason R. Lyon and the genuineness of his signature as a witness to said will was also duly proved by Alfred W. Taylor and ~~John Singletary~~ ^{John Singletary} witness duly sworn and examined in open Court and it was also duly proved by the said Jacob Cameron, Alfred W. Taylor and John Singletary that they are severally acquainted with the hand writing of David Nelson the testator that the signature to said will is genuine and is the hand writing of said David Nelson and also the signatures "I believe" at the foot of each of the five preceding pages of the will and was therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper being dated the twentieth day of May 1848 be recorded as the last will and testament of David Nelson deceased.

And therefore the Thomas A. Nelson the executor named in said will was duly qualified as such in open court and being presented in said will that said executor shall not be requested to give any security whatever for the discharge of his duties as executor and is therein expressly recommended from doing so, it is ordered by the Court that letters testamentary shall be issued to the said Thomas A. Nelson as executor of the last will and testament.

Wish I leave Nelson of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee knowing the uncertainty of human life and being of sound mind and memory do make ordain and publish this my last will and testament:

That it is my will that out of the property real and personal which I may possess at the time of my death and also out of the debts which may be owing to me my executor herein after named shall pay all such debts I may owe at that time.

After the payment of my debts I dispose of the remainder of my property as follows:

First I give and devise and bequeath to my wife Phoebe Nelson the house and lot in Elizabethton which I now live in joining Jacob Cammings lot and all buildings thereon to her and her heirs forever in fee simple. In the event I should survive my wife then I direct that said house and lot shall be sold by my executor herein after named and the proceeds applied towards the payment of my debts if it is necessary to sell the same for that purpose but if it is not necessary to sell the same for that purpose then it is my will that the title thereto be vested in fee simple in my son Thomas A. Nelson to be disposed of at his pleasure but on the expressed trust and conditions that he shall support and maintain my daughters Lydia Eliza and Martha Jane Nelson as long as they remain single or until the value of said property is exhausted if it should be exhausted before they marry. It being my intention that said trust is to cease as to my said daughters respectively when they or either of them shall marry.

Third I give and bequeath to my wife Phoebe Nelson all the household and kitchen furniture cows hogs farming or garden tools and implements corn hay fodder beans flowers and potatoes and any crop or vegetables growing at the time of my death for the support of herself and each of my unmarried children so long as they live in my family at that time and said cows as one horse given to them as long as said property liable to be consumed in the raising and feeding provide such unmarried children stay the notice of her home.

Fourth I will give and bequeath to my son Garrett W. Nelson in fee simple the tract of land supposed to contain 500 acres lying in Carter County and known as the Pine Mountain tract of land.

Fifth I will and bequeath to my said son Garrett W. Nelson my negro girl Harriet now in his possession.

Sixth I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary W. through my negro girl Charlotte now in his possession

And that of her husband to the sole and separate use of the said Mary W. through during her natural life. (D. Nelson) with remainder over to her children John and Henry through and any other lawful children the said Mary W. may have living at the time of her death or to the survivor or survivors of such children.

Seventh I give and bequeath to my daughter Lydia Eliza my negro girl Sarah to the sole and separate use of my said daughter during her natural life with remainder over to any lawful children which the said Lydia Eliza may have at her death.

Eighth I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Jane Nelson my negro girl Elizabeth to her sole and separate use during her natural life with remainder over to any of her lawful children which she may have living at her death but upon the express condition that said slave shall not be disposed of by said Martha Jane who in consequence of disease is of weak mind without the assent of her executor and also upon the expressed condition that my executor shall have the power to contract and manage said slave as he shall deem best for the interest of said Martha Jane.

Ninth It is my will that my executor shall pay my debts if he can out of the debts which may be owing to me at the time of my death the goods wares, merchandises and iron then in hands and also my store house and the lot on which it stands and other buildings connected and it stands. If my debts can be paid without a sale of said estate I would prefer it. If not my executor is authorized (G. Nelson) to sell at public or private sale any property real or personal that may be necessary to the payment of my debts. It is my will that the said store house and buildings and the lot on which they stand, the debts that may be owing to me and the goods wares and merchandises and iron of which I may be possessed at the time of my death and forming part of the capital of my store be a common fund out of which my debts are to be paid and after the payment of said debts that the remainder of said property be equally divided among my wife Phoebe and my sons Thomas A. Nelson James W. and Moses W. Nelson the whole or any part of said property is to vest with my executor. If he can pay my debts out of the same and carry on the store during the life time of said Phoebe Nelson it shall be discretionary with him to do so or not as he may deem advisable. In the event he carries on the store for five years or over he is to turn a division of the said property is not to take place until the expiration of that period and the said Phoebe is to be supported together with each of our unmarried children as long as they live out of the proceeds of said establishment and my executor is to elect within one year from my death whether he will have store carried on or a division of said property as herein

provided for

Tenth If on a division of the proceeds of the property mentioned in the ninth bequest in this will the (D Nelson) share of the said Thomas & R. Nelson W. Nelson and Phoebe Nelson should not each amount to four hundred dollars then it is my will that my executor pay to my son Esq W. Nelson whatever amount his share may last of being four hundred dollars: it being my intention that the said James W. Nelson shall receive the provision made for him in this will in lieu of any demand or demands whatsoever which he may have against me. I will devise and bequeath to my son Madison W. Nelson in fee simple my tract of land in Johnson County containing five thousand acres more or less.

Eleventh I will give devise and bequeath to my son Thomas & D. Nelson all other property real or personal, or mixed of which I may be in possession or to which I may have any claim at the time of my death and which is not heretofore specifically bequeathed or devised but upon the expressed condition that the said Thomas & D. Nelson shall cause his mother to be decently but plainly clothed and maintained during his life, provided she cannot be clothed and maintained by the property herein before given to her and also upon the expressed condition that he shall cause his sisters Lydia Eliza and Martha Sam to be in like manner clothed and maintained as long as they remain single and continue to reside with their mother: but nothing herein contained shall prevent the said Thomas & D. Nelson from disposing of any part of the property herein devised or bequeathed to him at any time or any mode he may desire. (D Nelson)

Twelfth I hereby nominate and appoint my son Thomas & D. Nelson sole executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and annulling all former wills made by me and hereby vesting my said executor with the power of executing this will either personally or by his lawful authorized agents. I have it is my desire and will that my said executor shall not be required to give any security whatever for the discharge of his duties as executor, but he is hereby expressly exonerated from doing so. In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name to this will, consisting of this and five foregoing pages, on this seventh day of May 1854 in the presence of the following persons who at my request and in my presence have subscribed their names herunto as

Witnesses
Madison J. Benson
Thomas Badger
M. N. Lyon
David Cameron

giving a legacy to Esq W. Nelson was made before the signing and sealing of this will
David Nelson (real)

Spring Term 1854

The last will and testament of James W. Nelson deceased for probate and thereupon came John Wright and Edmund Williams attesting witnesses to said will, and after being duly sworn testified that said will was duly signed and acknowledged by the testator in their presence and that they believe that he was of sound mind memory and discretion. Said will is therefore admitted to probate and ordered to be spread upon the records one thousand dollars.

It appearing upon the face of said will that Harrison W. Bond was appointed executor to said will and testament the said Harrison W. Bond came into open Court and entered into bond in the sum of dollars with William O. Bond his security and was qualified as the law directs, and it is further ordered that said will be read to him.

Will

Be it known and remembered that James W. Bond do publish this my last will and testament recinding all other wills that I may heretofore make.

First I direct that all my just accounts shall be settled and all my debts paid by my executor.

Secondly I will and bequeath a lot of land on the west side of Brush Creek in Washington County, where Mary Tucker now lives supposed to be ten acres to the said Mary Tucker and her heirs forever.

Third I will and bequeath to my wife, a second time called Elizabeth.

Fourthly I will and bequeath to my daughter Emily Ann Henry, a second time called George.

Fifthly I will and bequeath to my son Esq Bond and Caroline Lewis Ten dollars each, and to my sons Esq W. Bond and William O. Bond one dollar each, having already given off to them their portions. The balance of my property remaining to be sold at twelve months credit and equally divided between the children of Elizabeth Pugh and Chancy Anna Crawford severally, the part coming to Chancy Anna Crawford's children to be bestowed on them in education and out of the said money I will that Charles P. Maiten have fifty dollars.

Lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my son Harrison W. Bond my executor. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal. This twenty fourth day of November A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty three Signed and acknowledged in the presence of us this day and year above written
John Wright
Edmund Williams

Monday May Term 1854

The last will and testament of Johnson Hampton as a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Johnson Hampton was exhibited in open Court by Lawson W Hampton and Hammetton B Hampton for probate whereupon David W Carter one of the subscribing witnesses to said will was duly sworn in open Court and on examination states that he witnessed said will bearing date the 17 day of February 1854 in the presence of Johnson Hampton the testator, he further states that the said Johnson Hampton acknowledged said to be his last will and testament and he further states that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory ~~before~~ ^{at the time} said will bearing date. But it being suggested to the Court that before White the other subscribing witness to said will is not present the same is continued for further probate by the said before White during the present session of this Court to at the ensuing Court.

Tuesday May Term 1854

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Johnson Hampton was this day produced in open Court by Lawson W & Hammetton B Hampton it being the same paper writing which was produced on a former day of this Term when David W Carter one of the subscribing witnesses to said will who after being sworn in open Court states that he witnessed said will bearing date the 17 day of February 1854 in the presence of said Hampton and that he acknowledged the same to be his last will and testament and that he was of sound disposing mind and Susan S White the other subscribing to said will having this day been sworn in open Court upon examination states that the said Johnson Hampton acknowledged the said paper writing bearing date the 17 of Feb 1854 to be his last will and testament and that he was of sound mind. It was therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing as aforesaid be recorded as the last will and testament of Johnson Hampton.

The Will

Know all men by these presents that I Johnson Hampton of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee having by writing and being favored with the goodness of the Supreme being acquired what real and personal property I now possess and being sound in mind but somewhat feeble in body make this memorandum of my will and wish of the manner in which I wish to dispose

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of my estate among my several children and in case I should in the providence of God be called from time before I make my will and testament I desire this instrument to be a guide in said directions.

First to my son Lawson W Hampton I give the tract of Land known as the Bradley place which I made with my son Lawson in the presence of James & Smith County surveyor and others with this exception to the Bradley Land that I retain possession of the same during the lifetime of my beloved wife and myself.

Second To my daughter Cherrisa Jd Hutton and six of her children I give the tract of Land on which they live beginning in the Branch a short distance above the School House and to be run off agreeable to contract between her & Hutton and myself this gift is made to my said daughter Cherrisa on condition that she at some future day shall to me two tracts or entries of Land made by me in her name many years ago.

Third to my son Hammetton B Hampton I give the tract of Land known as the "Lost Cove" to contain six hundred acres more or less and to my said sons Hammetton B & Lawson W I give my Forge and six thousand acres of Land said Land being in several tracts including said Forge and one Bushy and said property I give to them jointly and severally but the said gift of the Forge & 6000 acres of Land is made on following conditions to wit Lawson W Hampton and Hammetton B shall pay to me \$1500.00 and I retain possession of said last named property during my natural life and the lifetime of my wife.

Fourth To my daughter Matilda White & heirs I ratify the gift heretofore made to them of three thousand acres of Land in full compensation of what I intended to give them now and hereafter.

Fifth To my daughter Susan and the children which she has had by her husband Samuel Hutton I give the tract of Land known as the supposed to contain two hundred acres.

Sixth To my daughter Susan and her three children James Kennedy and Sarah I give a tract beginning on the lower line of the little tract which I checked the place where formerly lived. And as a reason why I refuse to give Susan's son Samuel any thing is that he runs off from his mother with his father and refuses to help support her.

Seventh And it is my will after the decease of my wife and myself that my three slave women

Jack Barber and Caty should be emancipated
according to act of assembly in such case made and
produced docket February the 17th 1854.

Witness

Hampton

J. J. White

The executors of Mary Taylor did this day produce
a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament
of said Mary Taylor and the same having examined Reuben
McNall and Sam Cramer the only living witnesses to said
will James P. Taylor clerk of court having did before the court
upon oath state that said paper writing is the last will and
testament of said Mary Taylor that she acknowledged it to be
such in this respect and she outspoke further state that said
Mary Taylor was of sound mind the Court is therefore of
opinion that said paper writing is the last will and testament
of Mary Taylor did, and ordered the same to be recorded as
requested by law Attorney Joseph C. Dulany and Nathaniel
Mc Taylor two of the executors appointed by said will any
claim in open Court and intend into bond as required by law
there having been no claim from former executor agreeable
to the request of said Mary Taylor the other executor ap-
pointed by said will to wit Nathaniel & Jackman having
failed to appear quality Court therefore ordered that said testamen-
tary be issued according to law

State of Pennsylvania No Joseph C. Dulany and Nathaniel
Carter County Mc Taylor the former a citizen of Dut-
low County and the latter a citizen of Carter County It
appearing to the Court that Mary Taylor has died leaving a
written will on which you are appointed executors which has
been proved in open Court and having given bond and qualified
as directed by law and it having been ordered that said testamen-
tary be issued to you

This is therefore to empower you the said Joseph C. Dulany and
Nathaniel Mc Taylor to enter upon the executions of said will and
take into your possession all the property and to make to the next
Court a perfect Inventory thereof and make an exhibition of
all the debts and after paying all the just demands against the
testator and settling up the business of said estate according
to law you will pay over and deliver the property effects thus
my remain in your hands and on all other things that may
be required according to the provisions of the will and laws of the
land

Witness J. J. White Clerk at office September

5th 1853

The Will

In the name of God Amen I Mary Taylor of the County
of Carter and State of Pennsylvania being aware of my declining
mind and memory and conscious of the uncertainty of life do make
and ordain this my last will and testament

First I humbly trusting and fully relying in the merits
of Jesus the Saviour of the world I do commend my spirit to his
merciful compassion and love who gave it and requesting my
executors hereinafter named to have my body decently buried

Second I require all my honest debts to be paid by my
executors and it is my wish that my executors shall have
my corp now on hand pushed to maturity by the hands most
employed in this end if necessary to hire additional force
and to use the necessary on hand to effect that object
to reach of it as may be necessary I direct that my
debt to be kept until fall and then that stocks and crops
be all sold at public vendue or private sale as my
executors deem best

I do hereby acknowledge that on the 24th of April 1851 I
executed to said P. Taylor a note under seal for the use of the heirs
of A. Taylor Senr for twenty four hundred and twenty five
pounds of iron ore which there is a small order which is an
honored debt and which I direct my executors to pay to A.
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I give and bequeath to my daughter to Dulany
a negro boy named Simon or Jim for his sole and separate use
and to be disposed of by her will or as may please
her said boy is worth five hundred dollars and I require
said Mary to pay seven to Soldiers to Chasht. I Taylor
my grandson I require her also to pay to my executor
hereinafter named for the benefit of my daughter Lorine
Taylor ten hundred and seventy five dollars

I give and bequeath to my daughter Sophina
Dulany my negro boy Jerry for his sole and separate use
and to be disposed of by her will or otherwise as may please
her said boy Jerry is worth five hundred and fifty dol-
lars and I require said Sophina to pay to my grandson
to pay to Nathaniel J. Taylor my grandson

ten by eight dollars and seventy five cents
and also require my said grandson C. S. Taylor to pay
one half of the two above bequeathed to his sister and
Taylor, whenever he shall sell for it, after said C. S. Tay-
lor shall have received it. I also require my said daughter
Josephine wife of the value of said negro to pay to my
daughter Lavinia Tipton one hundred and sixty dollars and
forty cents or to my executors hereinafter named for the
use of my daughter Lavinia.

I give and bequeath to my son C. S. Taylor
my husband's profile and require him to pay to my
grand daughter Lavinia five dollars.

I give and bequeath to my grandson C. S. Taylor
my husband's secretary or desk now in house.

I give and bequeath to my grandson Robert
Loring my china press now in my house.

I give and bequeath to each of my daughter
Lorina Tipton Mary Dulaney and Josephine Tipton
a bed with its furniture, and I give a bed and its
furniture to each of my grand daughters.

Mary C. Taylor daughter of C. S. Taylor Mary Carter
wife of Jas. H. Carter and Mary Taylor daughter of C. S.
Taylor.

I give and bequeath to each of my grand daughters
Sallie Love wife of Robert and Emma Taylor wife of N. G.
Taylor one of the best of my keepers apiece. Whereas my
sons C. S. Taylor and Jas. H. made in my name an entry
lying between Gap Creek and Dove Creek adjoining
the lands of J. Clark and others, covering a grant of
three hundred acres which my husband owned and paid
the full therefor for the benefit of the heirs of C. S. Taylor and
others containing according to recollection about four hundred
or four hundred and fifty acres. Now therefore I hereby
relinquish to the heirs of C. S. Taylor all my interest in
said land and when any of said heirs have purchased
interest of or from any other of said heirs I hereby recog-
nize and ratify any and all of said sales.

Whereas I am indebted to my son C. S. Taylor
by a note of hand under seal dated Feb. 21 1844 in
the sum of three hundred and ninety dollars I hereby re-
cognize with interest thereon now to pay said C. S. Tay-
lor my negro boy Tom I give sell and transfer
in satisfaction of said debt and require him to
surrender said note to my executors hereinafter named.

I give and bequeath to my son C. S. Taylor
my trundle bed on which I am lying and its approp-
riate furniture. My Duffalon ring I give to
L. M. Dulaney.

The rings now in my possession Crosby

Dave and old Fowells were the property of C. S. Taylor
my son - I recognize C. S. Taylor as the rightful owner of
said property and require my executors to surrender said
them to him.

I recognize the title of negro man Lewis in Robt.
Love and the title negroes Lili and Roman in C. S. Taylor
said negroes having been sold to them by C. S. Taylor.

I do hereby request the heirs of C. S. Taylor
to permit the old negroes Sam and Lavinia to remain
where they are and to work and support themselves give
them the use of sufficient land for that purpose
and grant them as much liberty as the law permits
and not to sell or separate them.

My executors hereinafter named are requested after
my debts are matured and gathered in the fall to sell
all my grain hay and all my stock and other
property not specifically devised and apply the same
first to the payment of my debts secondly to pay to
Mary C. Taylor wife of C. S. Taylor and Mary Taylor
daughter of C. S. Taylor Mary Carter wife of
Jas. H. Carter my sister daughter of C. S. Taylor
Mary Tipton daughter of Lorina Tipton Mary Dulaney
daughter of C. S. Taylor my daughter twenty
dollars each, and as is my request that they should
appropriate this money to the purchase of good cloth
provided through sufficient and in their hands
after paying my debts to pay to each of them in their
last name furniture and to each of them a couple of
on hands not sufficient to pay said said debt bequeathed
to be divided among their last legacies as well.

I give C. S. Taylor the choice one of my straw
this bequeathed to be regarded as one of the joint and
divided.

I give my copper still to Betty Taylor my
daughter in law to be taken as one of the joint and
divided. I give my large Bible containing the
family record to my son C. S. and the father
of my children to Mary Dulaney.

I give to Betty Taylor
if after paying all my debts and satisfying my
the other specific devises, there shall still remain a
fund in the hands of my executors I give and
request them to pay then of fifty dollars to my
daughter Lavinia Tipton and fifty dollars to her
daughter Mrs. Lavinia Farrington.

If after the payment of all the above requests
there shall still remain a fund in the hands of
my executors I require them to pay then of to the
American Antislavery Society or to such Agents

as they shall appoint to receive it two hundred dollars or such other sum as may be in their hands after said payments if nothing then this request is to be void.

I request the heirs of J Taylor to permit the negro boys now hired on the Rail Road to remain there until fall or sale of my property and that they permit the proceeds of their labor up to that period to be applied to the payment of my debts.

I do hereby revoke and recall and make null and void all other and all former wills made by me and make certain and establish this as my last will and testament.

I do hereby appoint my executors Nathaniel M. Taylor, Nathaniel J. Jackson and Joseph E. Taylor my executors of this my last will and testament and request the Court not to require a majority of them.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal. All my meaning appears in the bequest to my daughters and the wife of J L Taylor. Attestations or assents and interventions in this made by draftsman before signed this 27th of April 1852.

Signed sealed and acknowledged

in our presence

Sam. Garrison

Reuben McFarland

Jas P Taylor

Mary Taylor (wid)
Marble

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The last will and testament of John L. Williams dec was exhibited in open Court by Pinckney P. and Edmund Williams the executors thereupon named and Emoch H. and St. D. W. the attesting witnesses. To said will appeared in open Court and after having been sworn testified that said will was signed by the testator and acknowledged in their presence and they believe that he was of sound mind memory and discretion and thereupon said will admitted to probate and ordered to be spread on record.

After it appearing on face of said will that Pinckney P. and Edmund Williams jur was appointing executors to said last will and testament the J. P. P. & E. Williams came into open Court and entered bond to answer the provisions of said will, said will not requiring them to give security and it is ordered that letters testamentary be issued to them.

The Will

The last will and testament of John L. Williams of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee. I John L. Williams considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament.

First I will and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Williams a negro woman named Melly.

Secondly I will and bequeath to her the tract of land I now live on containing two hundred and twenty acres or less with all the appurtenances thereto with all the farming tools and utensils with all the house hold and kitchen furniture of will and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth one Gray mare named Eliza and one bay mare I am and one horse named Beauty I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth three head of milk cows with calves also three waggons one of which is ironed and the other two are not I will that they be ironed off and finished for market.

I will and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth the right of disposing of Melly (and increase of her to any) to dispose of as she please and also one negro boy named George and at her death I will the said George to her & her heirs as to them their heirs assigns forever.

Thirdly I will and bequeath to my son Pinckney P. Williams fifty acres of land lying and being on Buffalo Creek known as the lower tract of which he lives I will and bequeath to the said Pinckney P. some other tract of land lying on the west side of Buffalo Creek containing thirty six acres more or less aforesaid said lower tract to have and to hold to him his assigns forever. I have given to P. Williams one bay mare worth seventy five dollars. One head of Hogs and one saddle worth ten dollars one cow worth ten dollars and one bed worth twenty dollars.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my first daughter Rehana L. Rubell one negro girl named Margaret to her and her heirs forever. I have given to said Rehana L. Rubell worth twenty dollars and one saddle worth eight dollars and I have given to her one hundred and fifty dollars in the way of my two property in Burnsville and in the amount I have paid to James St. Rubell.

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Fifthly I give and bequeath to my sons Edmund and Joshua who reside in the County of Ganey in the State of Ohio all the right title claim and interest I have and all the same property in the Town of Burowsville and adjoining said Town consisting of four lots one purchased of A. C. Calhoun containing three quarters of an acre one purchased of Robin containing nine acres and also forty five poles lying west of my survey known as the Garland survey and one lot containing one and one quarter acre including the Barn Tanizah Shop Bark Mill Sliding and house &c to have and to hold the same their heirs assign with all the appertanances pertaining thereto forever. I also will and bequeath to the said Edmund and Joshua one negro girl named Adalaid to have and to hold the same their heirs assign forever.

Smith and bequeath to the said Ed and Joshua one Carding Machine on condition that the said Joshua and Edmund settle with Saml. McWilliams to the amount of fifty four dollars. I will and bequeath to my said Ed and Joshua one set of my riding boots.

Sixth I will and bequeath to my second daughter Nancy an tract of land containing six and one quarter acres lying and being on the waters of a Buffalo Creek and adjoining Saml. and George Millers known as the Sam Henry Survey to have and to hold the same with all the appertanances thereto her and her heirs forever.

Seventh I will and bequeath to my said daughter Nancy on other tract or parcel of land lying and being on the waters of Buffalo Creek containing twelve and one quarter more or less. Beginning on a turn stone rock on the west side of Buffalo Creek thence running with said Creek to a poplar and Spanish Oak thence south on Williams line seventy four poles crossing said Creek to a Walnut and Elm pole Williams corner thence west two poles to a White Oak Spanish Oak and horse oak on David Pugh line thence with the same

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North by and a half west one hundred and ninety poles to the beginning, all the right title and interest to her and her heirs forever. I will and bequeath to her one negro man named Albert worth eight hundred dollars who Solomon Pugh killed. I will and bequeath what I have already given her, two horse saddles worth twenty five dollars and fifty cents and one set of still iron worth five dollars on table worth five dollars and cow and calf worth ten dollars.

Eighth I will and bequeath to my two sons Samuel and Phineas as the Heir at law on which I now live containing two hundred acres more or less to have and to hold the same their heirs and assigns forever at the death of my wife Elizabeth.

I give and bequeath to Saml. one bay mare worth sixty dollars one cow and calf worth ten dollars one saw and iron shate.

I will and bequeath to Phineas one bay mare named Cap on two and calf and one saw and shate and one bed worth twenty dollars and to Saml. one bed worth twenty dollars. I will and bequeath to Phineas Samuel and Phineas one set of Black Iron Tools Phineas to have the care of them. I give and bequeath to Phineas my Crop Cut Saw I give to Saml. my left hand Rifle gun. It is my will that my negro man Sandy have his freedom on condition that he comply with the laws of the Country.

I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth one other negro girl named Mary to have and to hold the same and at her death the said Mary shall belong to my daughter Loucretia to her and her heirs forever.

Ninthly I will and bequeath to my daughter Loucretia an tract of land lying east of Buffalo known as the Marlow Farm lying on the west side of Toll Branch run to right hand including a small tract I bought of Perry out of the Howe tract including a Spring on the west side of said Branch Corner to S. L. to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Monday July Term 1852

I will and bequeath to said Sonnet's five head of shoats and one yearling Colt from the Increase stock heretofore given and sold to my wife Elizabeth I have given to her on Bed worth five dollars one gold Chain worth twenty five Dollars one Clock worth ten dollars &c.

I will and bequeath to my wife Eliza both six head of sheep out of my flock of her own choice I will the remainder of my flock to be divided among Puckney Paul Thomas and Loucretia

I will and bequeath to my wife Eliza all the young Cattle and out cattle heretofore not specified

I will that my old wagon remain on the farm for the use of my wife &c. as I give and bequeath to wife all the Corn on hand and all the grain. I will to my wife two young Hogs and stock not disposed of

I will and give to my grandson John Williams my shot Gun It is my will that all my just debts be paid out of my effects and that all my debts and accounts be collected

It is my will that all my contracts heretofore made by me concerning the House be valid and good and that the house here before planned out be built for the benefit of my wife to be paid out of any such property or stock heretofore sold to her and all the residue of my property not named of whatsoever kind I will to my wife

This being my last will and testament revoking all others made by me heretofore I appoint Puckney Paul and Edmund William my Executors to this will and testament without giving bond and security for the same In witness whereof I set my hand and seal this 25th day of March 1852

The above instrument of writing consisting of two sheets of paper was here now subscribed by John L. Williams the Testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will and testament and we at his request signed our names as attesting witnesses Thereto of the County of Carter March Term 1852

Monday December Term 1854

The Last Will and Testament of Thomas John Seaward was exhibited and proved in open Court

(The Will)

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Seaward of the County of Carter in the State of Virginia being of legal age and sound mind and disposing memory do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament that is to say

First I give and bequeath to my wife Son Joseph Seaward the plantation whereon I now live, the things which were also all the personal property I may hereafter acquire of and after the decease of my Mother the said being more than me, to him and his heirs for ever

Lastly I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my wife Son Joseph Seaward to be my last Will and Testament in testimony whereof I Thomas Seaward have signed and affixed my seal this Twenty-fifth day of April in the thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight Thomas Seaward

Nicholas Barringer
Daniel Barringer
John Seaward

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Monday October Term 1857

When near the Last Will and Testament of Eliza Cook do-Secured exhibited and proven in open Court by Thomas P. Seaward and Hannah Seaward the Subscribing witnesses Thereto

(The Will)

The Last Will and Testament of Eliza Cook

In the name of almighty God Amen I Eliza Cook of sound mind and memory but, very feeble in body make and publish this my last will and testament

1st I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah and my Son Samuel jointly a note I hold on Charles Dasher dated 3rd Sept 1857 and given one day after for the sum of four hundred and forty eight dollars and twenty five cents

2nd I will and bequeath to my Daughter Margaret a note on David L. Stokes for fifty dollars given 12 months after and dated 23rd June 1857 also one note on Henry Dasher and Charles Dasher for fifty dollars and given one day after dated and dated 12th day of August 1857 worth a credit of one dollar on the 21st April 1857 also one note on Thomas L. Seaward for fifty three dollars and twenty five cents and dated 29th April 1846

3rd I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah my Son Joseph (Baby) 4th I will and bequeath to my Son Samuel my Wife (Let) &c

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I will and bequeath to said Loucretia five head of sheep and one yearling colt from the Meras stock heretofore given and called to my wife Elizabeth I have given to her on Decr worth twenty five dollars one gold Chain worth twenty five Dollars one Watch worth ten dollars

I will and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth six head of sheep out of my flock of her own choice I will the remainder of my flock to be divided among Puckney, Samuel Thomas and Loucretia

I will and bequeath to my wife Eliza all the young Cattle and our cattle heretofore not specified

I will that my old waggon remain on the farm for the use of my wife Eliza & Phineas I give and bequeath to my wife all the corn on hand and all the small grain. I will to my wife two young milks Hogs and stock not disposed of heretofore

I will and give to my grandson John D Williams my shot Gun It is my will that all my just debts be paid out of my effects and that all my debts and accounts be collected

It is my will that all my contracts heretofore made by me concerning the House be valid and good and that the house here before planned out be built for the benefit of my wife to be paid out of any such property or stock herein willed to her and all the residue of my property not named of whatsoever kind I will to my wife

This being my last will and testament revoking all others made by me heretofore I appoint Puckney, Paul and Edmund William my Executors to this will and testament without giving bond and security for the same I do witness whereof I set my hand and seal this 25th day of March 1852

The above instrument of writing consisting of two sheets of paper was here now subscribed by John D Williams the testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will and testament and we at his request sign our names as attesting witnesses of the County of Carter Orwash Heon
S. D. Hyatt

Monday December Term 1854

The Last Will and Testament of Thomas John Dumas was exhibited and proved in open court

(The Will)

In the name of God Amen

I Thomas Dumas of the County of Carter in the State of Tennessee being of legal mind and sound mind and disposing memory do make publish and declare this my last will and testament that it to say

First I give and bequeath to my wife Lou Joseph Odell the plantation whereon I now live, ne Stony Creek road also all the personal property I may possess at the time of my death and after the receipt of my should the time longer than me, to him and his heirs for ever

Lastly I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my wife Lou Joseph Odell Executor of this my last will and testament in testimony whereof I Thomas Dumas have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this Twenty fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight Thomas Dumas

Signed sealed published pronounced declared by the said Thomas Dumas to be his last will and testament in presence of us who in the presence of the testator in the presence of each other hereunto signed our names as witnesses

Christian Barrager
Nicholas Barrager
Daniel Barrager
John Dumas

Monday October Term 1857

Then was the Last Will and Testament of Eliza Cook exhibited and proved in open court by Thomas P. Cook and Harriet Cook the subscribers sitting as Jurors

(The Will)

The Last Will and Testament of Eliza Cook

In the name of Almighty God Amen I Eliza Cook of Sound mind and memory but very feeble in body make and publish this my last will and testament

First I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah and my son Samuel equally a note I hold on Charles Parker dated 3rd Sept 1857 and given one day after for the sum of one hundred and forty eight dollars and twenty five cents

2nd I will and bequeath to my Daughter Margaret I leave one note on David Stover for fifty dollars given 12 months after and dated 23rd June 1857 also one note on Harriet Parker and Charles Parker for fifty dollars and given one day after date and dated 12th day of August 1857 with a consent of one dollar on the 21st April 1857 also one note on Thomas P. Cook for fifty three dollars and twenty five cents and dated 29th April 1856

3rd I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah my son (Daisy)
4th I will and bequeath to my son Samuel my mare (Lut) &c

8th I Will and bequeath my Daughter Sarah two Cheats Beds. with two Shirts the Bed clothe to each Bed and to my Son Samuel one Large Cheats Bed Bedding and one Round Bed Bedding that is to say two Cheats pair and pair Shirts and to my Daughter Sarah my Side Board and to my Son Samuel my Bean trough, my Looking Glass to Sarah

9th I Will and bequeath all my Stock such as Hogs Cattle &c to all those Children to keep and use to live on also all my Wheat oats and corn (now growing) to all my Children Sarah Samuel & Margaret for the support and use.

10th I Will and bequeath my Three Horses not named above to my children, to be used for procuring their support.

11th I Will and bequeath all my other Litter property not above specified to all my children equally, and for it all to remain as it was or while they all live together & after their Will and bequeath to all my three children equally, all my part of the estate of my deceased husband, whether in Land or Money, or Money given under my hand and seal this 11th Sept 1851

Witness
the Presence
Samuel Brown

Monday February June 1855

Sheweth the Last Will and Testament of James Edson Deceased exhibited and proven in open Court by Edmund Williams one the subscribing Witnesses and the hand writing of Thomas Edson the other subscribing Witness also proven the death of Thomas Edson proven by John Berry and A. H. Hyatt and made be Recorded (The Will)

I James Edson being sound of mind but weak of body sensible however of the uncertainty of life and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and publish this my last Will and Testament I give my Soul to God to be disposed of according to his righteous will and pleasure by my Executor hereinafter named in and my body to the dust to be buried by my Executors hereinafter named in a Christian like manner in the grave yard on my own premises.

1st I Will and bequeath to my beloved Wife two hundred acres of the home farm including all my buildings during her natural life or widowhood and at her death (or in the event she marries then) to go to my Infant Daughter Martha to her and her heirs for ever in fee simple I also I Will and bequeath all my house hold and all other furniture and Stock of every description together with my Negro Slave & all to my Wife during life and at her death or in the event she marries to go to my daughter Martha to her and her heirs for ever in the aforesaid I embrace all my farming utensils grain and hogs of every description to my wife during her widowhood and at her death or by her marrying then to my daughter Martha absolutely I Will and bequeath the residue of my real estate in the following manner to wit One third to the Children of my Daughter Elizabeth Clark now deceased to wit Parthenia James James and Albert and Mary Forsythe to share equally with them that is now living with me to be held in fee simple the one third to the Children of J. S. Edson to wit Mary Margaret Mary Ann Hampton Elizabeth S.

Edson, Lucinda J. Edson, Julia A. Edson, William A. and Joseph P. Edson to be their heirs and assignors forever and the other third I will and bequeath to my daughter Micatha Edson in this I am to embrace the upper place containing 50 Acres of land on Main Street and one hundred acres in my home farm should there be that amount after removing off the two hundred acres before bequeathed to my wife during life or widowhood and to my daughter Micatha in fee simple as the other two mentioned share or may determine.

2^{ly} I Will and bequeath a fair and equal division of all Money and one among my Grand Children and my Daughter Micatha that is to say the Children of J. S. Edson one third, the Children of Elizabeth Clark one third, and my Daughter Micatha one third should any be due me by Note Account or otherwise at my death.

3^{ly} I give my Orphan relative Mary Forsythe herebefore mentioned one Bed and desire her to remain with my wife until she marries or comes of age 4^{thly} I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made in that may be found in my possession or which my Sign or Seal to them bearing date Antecedent to this I appoint William Forsythe my wife Elizabeth Edson my Executor of this my last Will and Testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 24th April 1851 after reflection I have determined to give my Wife in the event she marries the one half of my household furniture and one half of my Hogs Cattle and Horses and not cut her off entirely as would be the case by the provision part of this my will but with this alteration and exception I want the other provision executed fully in testimony I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th April 1851.

James Edson (Seal)

In testification and
presence made before signing

Attest
Edmund Williams
John Berry
Thomas R. Edson

Monday November Term 1856

Then comes the Last Will and Testament of Alfred W. Taylor Deceased exhibited and proven in open Court by Robert Love and A. H. Hyatt the subscribing Witnesses

I Alfred W. Taylor being of sound and disposing mind but knowing the uncertainty of life do make ordain and establish this as my last Will and Testament

First I give my Soul to God to be disposed of according to his good pleasure and wish my Executors hereinafter named to have me buried in a Christian like manner in the Taylor family grave yard near my Son's provided it is the Will of Divine power that I should live in this Country

Secondly I require my Executors to pay all my honest debts as soon as possible and authorize them to raise a fund for that purpose by the collection of my debts and the sale of my Stock not named by

my family or if necessary by a sale of any of my land except my home farm which is only to be sold on the conditions herein after pointed out.

Thirdly—It is my will that my Executors, hereinafter named have my Farm conveyed on by my Negro, until my youngest Child comes of age for the joint benefit of my Wife Elizabeth C. Taylor and my Children—William C. Taylor, Nathaniel M. Taylor, George D. Taylor, James P. Taylor, Alfred W. Taylor, Micah C. Taylor and Henry A. Taylor. The Farm to be under the immediate control of my Wife, and the proceeds subject to her disposal for the support and education of my Children, provided however that on any Child's marrying or commencing business for himself, his interest in the proceeds of the Farm shall cease and that he or she be furnished out of this Farm, a good Horse, Saddle and Bridle, Breeches, furniture, and Cow and Cows, when he or they may so desire for themselves, and provided further that on the coming of age of my youngest Child or at an earlier period should my Wife think it the most proper for his sole and separate use, such part of my Stock Household and Kitchen furniture and Farming utensils as may be necessary for her comfort, and should it so happen, that the profits of my Farm, Negro, &c. will not meet this bequest, then my Executors shall supply the deficiency as to educating my Children and furnishing them with Horse &c. as herein after pointed out, and in order to enable my Executors to have the Farm cultivated and to promote the comfort & happiness of my family, I wish them to retain as much of my Stock, Farming utensils, Household & Kitchen furniture, and other comforts as they may esteem necessary. My Wife to have the selection and on the coming of age of my youngest Child, I wish one third of my farm including the Mansion House, and other necessary buildings set apart for my Wife and the balance to be divided amongst or subject to the disposition of my Children, share & share alike, and at the death of my Wife the balance to be their common property. But should it so happen by death or otherwise that my farm cannot be profitably cultivated then and in that event they are authorized to manage the property as they may think best for the interest of the family (subject nevertheless to the will and wish of my Wife while living as to the part of the same now and then).

Fourthly—It is my will that my Negroes be retained in the family as heretofore mentioned for the joint benefit of the family and not to be sold unless their bad conduct make it necessary, and as my Children marry or commence business for themselves, I wish, if practicable such advantage made to them out of this farm as the then existing circumstances may justify having due regard to the rights of the younger ones, so that in this and on the coming of age of my youngest Child each shall have an equal interest. That is to say I wish Isaac and Ellen set apart for my Wife, and the balance of the Negroes then in and to be increased, including dividing equally between my Wife and Children.

Fifthly—It is my will that after my debts are paid should there be a surplus of money from the debts due me and stock sold that one eighth part of the same or an equal part with my Children then living be paid over to my Wife for her sole use and benefit separate and apart from her husband should she ever marry again, and her individual receipt

whether same be or not shall be a good Receipt to my Executors.

Sixthly—It is my will that my daughter Mary C. Taylor on arriving at the age of sixteen or when she marries, may have choice of one of my young Negroes, as a part of her interest in my estate to be valued by my Executors, and that the title to said child and her interest in same immediately vest in my Executors in trust for her sole use for life, separate and apart from her husband should she marry, and at her death to descend to whomsoever she may direct or in failure of this to her Children equally should she have any other wise to my heirs.

Seventhly—It is my will that my Executors give my Children good education if they will take it, and use any money due me, or any of my personal or real estate in aid of the proceeds of my Farm and Negroes, to effect that object, and should it become necessary in the education of my Children or should they think it best my Executors are fully authorized to sell and convey any Land I own (my home farm excepted) and the proceeds apply to the benefit of my Children first to their education. The residue to be put at interest for their common benefit.

Signed Seal & Acknowledged

A. W. Taylor (Seal)

in our presence this 22nd day of June 1844

attest

W. D. Dyer

J. D. Dyer

Eighthly—It is my will and wish that my Executors do not destroy my Mother Mary Taylor and my Brother-in-law St. Taylor for the Debt due by them to me but extend them any necessary aid and grace.

Ninthly—I give and bequeath the balance of my real and personal estate in excess of the money due me and not specifically devised to my Children before married or to the Survivors or Survivors of them provided however that should any of them marry and have Children alive, they shall enjoy the rights of the parents.

Tenthly—It is my will that after the payment of my debts, any money that may be due and above from the debts now due me or that may arise from the sale of Land, be put at interest on good and sufficient security for the benefit of my family as heretofore pointed out, provided however that my Executors shall advance to each Child as they marry or become of age the probable amount that they are entitled to subject to the advance of a necessary fund for the education of the younger Children.

Eleventh—I give and bequeath Negro Woman Charlotte and her Joseph and her baby and future increase to Alfred M. Carter and William B. Carter in trust for all or such part of the Children of Elizabeth Carter Mother of David A. M. and William B. Carter as the said Elizabeth requested I should give them to, which was communicated by the said Elizabeth on her death bed to Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, and wish them to ascertain from Mrs. Taylor what said request communicated through her to me was, and be governed accordingly. But should Mrs. Taylor die before this fact is ascertained—then I wish said David & Joseph to be equally divided between the said David A. M. and W. B. Carter and Sally Brewer for her sole use separate and apart from Benjamin Brewer her husband and Elias C. Goldsbee and the legal heirs of Mrs. Taylor daughter of David Elizabeth.

Twelveth—Should my Wife and Children wish to move from this County my Executors or the Survivor or Survivors of them upon the Written Assent of my Wife being obtained, are hereby authorized to Sell and convey my home farm and reinvest the Money in Land in an other Section of the County for the benefit of my family, each Member of my family to have right in accordance with their interests in the home farm provided however that those Children that may be of age at the Sale may if they prefer it have their part in the Money procured for the farm Subject to this, Worn in Cumbrance

Thirteenth—Whereas, my Executorship of my Brother James P. Taylor state is not closed, and whereas I have many unliquidated Matters of Importance with other individuals—Now to avoid trouble and expense, and Dissensions between my representatives and any others, with whom I may have unsettled business I do hereby with my Executors with all the power that I if living would possess on the Subject and authorize them if they see proper to close my business with the estate of James P. Taylor and they without pursuing the legal forms of the Law necessary in adjusting the business of the Deceased—but by compromise or otherwise and any adjustment my said Executors or their Survivor or Survivors of them may make in good faith shall be conclusive and binding on my heirs and Heirs

Fourteenth—All the interest both real and personal given to my Wife and Daughters as before pointed out I do hereby put in George A. Deffield Clerk Taylor my son and my son Nathaniel M. Taylor in trust for my said Wife C. E. Taylor and Daughters Mary E. Taylor to be theirs for the sole use of my Wife and Daughters separate and apart from their husbands should they or either of them marry, as heretofore pointed out and Subject to their disposition as pointed out for the absence of a devise of said property to descend as pointed out in any death bequest to my Daughter Mary E. Taylor

Fifteenth—Should my Mother have hereofers or should she in future make a will extending to me or my heirs any right or privilege as to a purchase of Negroes my Executors are authorized if they think it best and my oaths justify it to avail themselves of said privilege for the benefit of my family

Sixteenth—I hereby appoint George A. Deffield and my Wife Edgobert C. Taylor Executors and Co-Executors of this my last Will and Testament and on the coming of age of my son William C. Taylor and Nathaniel M. Taylor, I appoint them also Executors of this my last Will and Testament and request the Court not to require Security of them for the Administration of my estate

Signed, sealed and acknowledged

A. W. Taylor (Seal)

In our presence this 22nd day of June 1844

Witness
J. H. Hyder

Monday, October Term, 1856

Then was the last Will and Testament of Matthias Vanhief Read exhibited and proven in open Court by C. E. Carrigan and Joel W. Howe the subscribing Witnesses

I Matthias Vanhief of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee being in feeble Health first of do and mind do hereby make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament to wit:

First—I want all my just debt and financial expenses paid out of any Money or the proceeds of any personal property I may be seized and possessed of

Secondly—I give and bequeath to my two Sons Thomas R. Vanhief and Daniel S. Vanhief my Threshing Machine provided they pay the debt I may owe for the purchase and repair of said Machine

Thirdly—I give and bequeath to my Wife Louisa Vanhief all the real and personal of my property real and personal which I may be seized and possessed of after satisfying the foregoing bequest for and during the term of her Widowhood—or if she should never marry again during the term of her natural life

Fourthly—After the Marriage of my said Wife Louisa (Should she ever marry again) or after her death (if she should not marry) I want my Executors herein after mentioned to do such as they may give twenty days notice thereof in five public places in said County and such other places as they may think best, to proceed to Sell said residue and remainder of my property real and personal hereafter bequeathed to my said Wife Louisa at public Sale to the highest bidder on twelve Months Credit and to divide the proceeds of said Sale equally between my Children to wit—Valentine W. Vanhief Thomas R. Vanhief, Catherine Newton Wife of John Newton Henry C. Vanhief Joseph P. Vanhief, William R. Vanhief Daniel S. Vanhief and Rhoda C. Vanhief their heirs or representatives, provided however that Joseph P. Vanhief shall receive One Hundred Dollars more than any of the other of said Children

Fifthly—I hereby nominate and appoint my two Sons Joseph P. Vanhief and Daniel S. Vanhief Executors of this my last Will and Testament

Witness my hand and Seal this 3rd day of September 1856:

Witness
C. E. Carrigan
Joel W. Howe
Thomas C. Snow

Matthias Vanhief (Seal)
Mark

Monday September 20th 1858

Then was the last will and testament of Noah Daniel exhibited and proven in open court by Amos & Taylor and James M. Taylor son of the subscribing testator to said will and to be recorded which is in words and figures as follows

I Noah Daniel being of sound and disposing mind but viewing the uncertainty of life do make certain and establish this as my last will and testament

First I give my soul to God to be disposed of according to his good pleasure

Secondly I require my executor & executors herein after named to pay all my honest debts as soon as possible & authorize to raise a fund for that purpose by the collection of my debts due me or the bill of any of my stock household & family, if however my debts can be paid without a sale in a reasonable time then it is my wish that no sale be made

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my said wife Mary One third of all my real estate including the house in which I now live my negro boy Ann & so much of my stock household & kitchen furniture farming utensils &c as she may want or as may be necessary for her support & comfort the above I give to her during her natural life or widowhood

Fourthly I give to my daughter Martha Daniel all my real estate not elsewhere all away disposed of my negro girl Selvy and her child Charlock All my personal property not disposed of or not necessary to pay my just debts & at the death of my wife Mary or on her marriage I give to my said daughter all the real & personal property bequeathed to my said wife

Fifthly All the property given to my daughter Martha Daniel is given to her for her sole use separate and apart from her husband should she ever marry

Sixthly It is my will and wish that in the event my daughter Martha Daniel should die without issue alive that all the property bequeathed to her by me and the income of any at the time of her death shall be equally divided among my brothers and sister children that is to say one share to each family of children and in the event any one of them shall have died without children or shall have had children they all be dead then the share which they would have received to be divided as above stated

Lastly I here by nominate constitute and appoint Mary Daniel & M. Taylor my Executors & executors of this my last will and testament

Witnessed sealed and acknowledged
in our presence this 19th day of
June 1858

Noah Daniel

Amos & Taylor

James M. Taylor

Monday

Then was the last will and testament exhibited and proven in open court of John Mottson Esq by James Hester and John W. Bennett the subscribing testator which will is in words and figures as follows

I John Mottson being of sound mind memory and discretion but feeling the infirmities of age gradually coming upon me and my physical strength wasting am informed that the same of life must in long time end and according to the course of nature I must be soon given to my fathers do make constitute and ordain this my last will and testament

First I return my soul to God who gave it humbly and confidently hoping and trusting in the atonement and a merciful providence for salvation and immortality in the Kingdom of Heaven my pray I desire shall be returned to the rest from whence it came with thee in union upon my departure that it be entered in a correct and Christian like manner not with any pomp or show but simple unregarded style the funeral expenses I desire shall be paid out of any assets belonging to my estate

Second It is my will that any debts I owe be paid out of the assets belonging my estate

Third The worldly goods of which I am now seized and possessed or both in expect- every together with the increase between this and the time of my death I will and dispose of as follows

First I desire and will that my wife Polly Mottson have life estate in the farm upon which I now live thence the survivor me said farm contains about one hundred and six acres and that she have the sole and exclusive control and benefit after my decease should she survive me subject however to any avowal must she might in her discretion see proper to make with any of her children as to the cultivating or tending the same after the death of my said wife I will bequeath my said farm or tract of land to my two sons George and William Mottson upon condition that they within three years after the death of myself and wife pay to my daughter Polly Nick Elizabeth Henri both sons Sarah Susan West Christina Scott Matilda Little Sarah Orman and Henry Hickey the sum of fifty dollars each to be paid in good trade at its cash valuation In the division of said land between my two sons George and William I desire that the portion of the same upon which the said building stands and other land in the same shall fall to William but that in equal division of the farm as to value that and William to be paid between

Secondly I will and dispose of my personal property as follows my household and kitchen furniture to John Nick with Selvy daughter disposed of the physical books to my daughter the material life with the request that at her death they be equally divided among my daughter Anne named my time Nick I desire shall be sold by my executors and my debts of any I owe shall be paid out of the proceeds of sale and the balance be divided equally between my heirs

Thirdly Should there be any personal property or real estate not herein provided for belonging to my estate I desire the same shall be taken possession of by executors and sold and the proceeds of sale divided equally among my heirs

Fourthly I do hereby appoint Henry Hester and John W. Bennett the Executors of this my last will and testament and request the said to confirm and execute the same in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 19th day of June 1858

John Mottson
James Hester
John W. Bennett

John Mottson

I desire to be of the benefit of brother and sister of persuasion as well as others. It is my last will and testament hereby revoking any and making no other will by me at any time made.

And I trust that my funeral expenses and all my last debts beyond of any
is soon after my death as possible considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and
time of burial mind & memory

West Line and aqueduct to my Daughter Jane who married William Lane who died to be dead and left to her husband a tract of land lying in the county of Grant & State of Wisconsin being the same lot of land that William Lane and my Daughter Jane formerly owned on being the North East end of a tract of land owned and for years bought of John Cameron built and bounded as follows by line of the Original Survey & marked Lane made beginning on a corner of the north there a long then South West side of the same back Range through a large Larch hole on the side of the ridge to a ^{large} white oak and bordering Logwood & poplar there to a corner and in a straight line to the Original Survey & S. W. corner here

I have bequeathed to my Grandchildren the Name of my Son Robert Glover
and the remaining part of my Land.

3. Grant required to pay Grandson Thomas Green & the Son of H. S. Green, the sum of £1000, including my Son's share of Green's profits & all other buildings on the said land, & also the sum of £1000, being the said sum of £1000, that I have to pay to my Son H. S. Green.

4. The Ballroom of said Trust, I assign to some equal number in accordance with the
 provisions of the above, I assign to my Granddaughter Phoebe Brown the second lot of land
 but keeping the residue of acres that will be left over from the third lot, I leave in
 and I give to all that my Granddaughter who married David Brown & the sons of
 J. B. Brown, the 1st lot and I give and bequeath the house Grand daughter Maria who
 married William Miller the 5th lot and bequeath the same and bequeath to my Grandson the
 daughter the 10th lot the said daughter being the wife of J. B. Perkins

Signed, sealed & published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the estate, this 21st day of May 1864.
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R. A. Stearns.

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Thomas & Co. re
made

Last will & Testament of Mary Anne Ladd

State of Sumner. I Mary Ann great daughter of George Sumner and being now of
Carter County body but of sound mind and memory do make and publish this
last will and testament

My Soul I commend to God to be gone it and my body to be buried in the ground in a Christian like manner by my Executors here or after mentioned My property I assign it in the following manner

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State of Illness. I Michael Hyatt in being of sound and disposing mind but being aged and infirm
to order Conveyances and drawing the incertainty of life, do make Ordain and establish this my last
Will and Testament

First I give my soul to be disposed of according to Gods pleasure, and request my Executors here in after named to have me buried in a christian like manner

Secondly Should I die any thing at my death my Executors are hereby required to pay the same as to my estate real and personal I dispose of the same as follows

Whoddy I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Hyden during her life the house in which I lived and
together with the necessary out house and outstall & lot of land herein after set apart for my son
Samuel Hyden whenever should the proper & I verily require my son Samuel Hyden to support his comfortable
by earning his income of Down, also I give and bequeath to my said wife Sarah all my house hold and
kitchen furniture I further more require my executor to pay to my said wife Sarah Hyden
one hundred dollars out of my monies that may come into their hands, the household &
kitchen furniture & money herein herein set to be by their disposed of as she sees proper the
said interest to accord to Samuel as herein after provided

fourthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Ellen Haine widow of James Haine
five dollars which sum with what I have hitherto given is all I intend for her as
to be in full of her portion of my estate

Eighty I give and bequeath to my son Jeremiah H Hyder the tract of land now
which he now lives containing about one hundred acres conveyed to me by the late
also one hundred and thirty three acres of land in separate tracts conveyed to me by William
Oleary one tract thereof for one hundred acres or there abouts the other for thirty three and
d across the first called the well hollow tract the other the lower hollow tract I also give
him the more tract containing one hundred acres be the same more or less conveyed to me
by Benjamin Brown & his wife on which ~~the above~~ more lived I further give and
bequeath to my son Jeremiah H Hyder any interest of one half of the old Hyder tract of
land on the water of Gap creek purchased by the said J & M Hyder myself of William
Gore supposed to contain one hundred & sixty five acres all of the before described
tracts of I give to the said J & M Hyder and his heirs forever to be disposed of by
him as he sees proper

dearthy, I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Hill wife of John
doe all the above having hitherto advanced for her benefit all I intend for her out
of my estate

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to the said John 18th day and he has been forever to be disposed as he sees proper
 Eight I have heretofore made to my son Jacob Hyden considerable advancements
 in money &c &c and to make him equal with my other children I give and bequeath
 to the said Jacob Hyden four hundred and fifty dollars in German Bank notes which
 with what I have heretofore given him myself I caused Samuel Hyden to pay him
 is to be in full of his part of my estate

Ninth I give and bequeath to my son Samuel 18th day and he has been forever a
 part of the tract of land or tracts of land on which I now live
 composed of a part of several different tracts the said Samuel to have the lower
 part of my farm on powder branch and hold to him or his by J. Hyden Surveyor or at
 my instance design by me as a dividing line between my sons Samuel and Joseph
 which line runs as follows Beginning at a white oak corner to N. Payson an old Corn
 Thinner North 45 East thirty poles to a Stake and points thence North 80 East thirty poles
 to a double dogwood and points thence North 63 East thirty poles to a black oak
 and small very good white pine, thence North 45 East twenty four poles to a white oak
 corner in a hedge thence North 18 East a long the hedge twenty six poles to a white oak
 thence North 52 East two & half poles to a small poplar thence North 67 East thirty nine
 poles to a black oak near the branch thence North 83 East crossing the branch running due
 pole to a pear corner thence North 68 East twenty eight poles to an other pear corner thence North
 27 East seven and half poles to a forked walnut thence South 53 East thirty poles to a black oak
 thence North 63 East fifty nine poles to a large white oak thence South 67 East thirty poles to a white oak
 thence North 20 East four poles to a white oak an original corner and corner to Edens now
 all the land below this line as run by J. Hyden which he has heretofore to not
 give to my son Samuel Hyden & his heirs with the houses thereon &c &c subject to the
 intent herein before given to my wife Sarah Hyden which is a bequest to my son Samuel
 of a hundred and eighty four and a half acres of land according to the
 field note of J. Hyden I also give and bequeath to the said Samuel 18th day the John
 Lusk farm situated on West branch adjoining my the lands where Shushuck
 now lives containing two hundred acres purchased by me of John Lusk adjoining the
 tract according to the true bul and bound thereof except five acres above
 the Sunnbar field on the hill side next the Edens line which I reserve for Catharine
 Edens my daughter I further more give and bequeath to my son Samuel
 nineteen acres of timbered land purchased by me of John Lusk adjoining the
 sixth farm of two hundred acres I also give and bequeath to the said Samuel
 the two lower lots in the Overhulshon tract of land next to Samuel Overhulshon
 according to the division amongst the heirs of Jacob Overhulshon which contain
 about thirty two acres

Tenth I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Hyden the residue
 of the body of land referred to in the above bequest to my son Samuel Hyden
 situated on powder branch Carter County Tenn. all that body of land lying above
 the line run by J. Hyden herein before set out in my last will and testament
 I give and bequeath to my son Joseph & his heirs forever which according
 to the field of said J. Hyden contains two hundred & eight three and half acres
 land I also give and bequeath to my son Joseph Hyden twenty four acres of
 land conveyed to me by Samuel 18th day the tract of land called the Overhulshon
 I also give and bequeath to the said Joseph the tract of land called the Overhulshon
 and Andrew Overhulshon containing twenty four acres I further more give and
 bequeath to my said son Joseph the three upper lots next the Overhulshon

according to the division amongst the heirs of Jacob Overhulshon supposed to contain
 about sixteen acres

Eleventh I give and bequeath to my daughter Catharine Edens her heirs forever
 the tract of land conveyed to me by Allen Lusk situated on West branch on which the said
 Catharine & her husband Hampton Edens now live containing about one hundred
 and forty acres to be and remain her sole property during life separate and apart
 from her husband Hampton Edens with full power to sell and dispose of the same as she
 sees proper but should she fail to do so to descend to her heirs I also give and bequeath
 to my said daughter Catharine on the same terms daily six acres of land purchased by me
 at Shuff Sale sold as the property of Samuel 18th day the tract of land adjoining
 the Lusk farm on which Samuel 18th day lived many years I also give and bequeath to the said
 Catharine Edens the two Overhulshon lots owned by me which I bequeath to her
 bequeath to Samuel 18th day and Joseph Hyden I further give and bequeath to her three
 acres of land reserved in this will out of the Shushuck two hundred acres tract of land
 reserved to Samuel 18th day I further more give and bequeath to my said daughter
 Catharine Edens separate and apart from her said husband Hampton Edens all that body of
 purchased by me of Samuel 18th day

Twelfth I give and bequeath to the heirs of my son Benjamin Hyden one hundred
 dollars in German Bank notes to wit Henry 18th day two hundred dollars to Sarah
 Slonecypher two hundred dollars for her sole use separate and apart from her husband
 Slonecypher and Martha King wife of James King two hundred dollars for her sole use sep-
 arate and apart from her husband James King

Thirteenth I give and bequeath to the heirs of my son Benjamin Hyden one hundred
 dollars in German Bank notes to wit Henry 18th day two hundred dollars to Sarah
 Slonecypher and Martha King wife of James King two hundred dollars for her sole use sep-
 arate and apart from her husband James King

Fourteenth I hereby direct my Executors to pay the moneyed legacies herein given out of
 any money that may be on hand at my death and out of the debts due me
 and should there be any surplus after paying the legacies & the expenses of the administra-
 tion of my estate then I bequeath that surplus to my son J. Hyden John 18th day Jacob Hyden
 and Samuel 18th day Joseph Hyden and Catharine Edens to be equally divided between them
 Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons John 18th day Samuel 18th day
 of this my last and testament and request that the County Court do not require sec-
 ury of them for the administration of my estate

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16 day of June 1854

Signed sealed and acknowledged

Michael Hyden

in our presence

J. L. Payson

Nathaniel M. Taylor

And of Michael Hyden two hundred and fifty dollars

Sept 17 1854

Signed Jacob Hyden

And of Michael Hyden one hundred dollars

August 20 1856

Sarah & Slonecypher

And of Michael Hyden one hundred and fifty

dollars Sept 15 1860

Michael Hyden

State of Tennessee, January Term 1865

Carroll County. Then was the last will and testament ~~published~~
in open court read and proven by John H. Bowman and John Humphrey -
the subscribing witnesses thereto which reads as follows
Know all men by these presents that

I Solomon Hunsicker of the County of Carroll and State of Tennessee being sick and feeble
in body but imperfect mind and judgment do make and declare this my last will
and testament over all former wills and testaments

My last will and desire is that all my just debts ^{and charges} shall be paid out of my estate and my
last will and desire is that my beloved wife Margaret Hunsicker shall have one half of
my farm including the dwelling house and barn the time to be soon in such a
summer as to give half the number of acres and half the amount of timber there
to have said land as long as she lives cause to live on said land then my wife and
and desire is that my said daughter Mary, brought Hunsicker daughter of John
men to Hunsicker my son and shall have said land and also my wife is
that my wife shall have all the property that she now has that she brought
her when we were married and also she is to have now selling together
a set of chairs looking glass and looking glass also one year's provision
In next place my will and desire is that my son William Hunsicker shall have
the other half of my land in which he now lives the time to be soon so as to
give him half the number of acres and half the timber

My last will and desire is that all my debts is to be collected and all my per-
sonal property is to be sold on shortly four months credit and to be equally
divided between my daughter and the time of my daughter Sarah Bishop and
is to have one part my son Harrison Nathan God and John having got them
part of my estate heretofore

My last will and desire is that my son William Hunsicker & William Hunsicker
in whom I have the utmost confidence shall be my Executors to settle their
affairs of my estate this the 2nd December 1864. Solomon Hunsicker
Witness my hand of I have
unto subscribed my name

John H. Bowman
John Humphrey

Monday May Term 1865

William H. Hunsicker came into open court and brought with him a letter from
Robert C. Galt of Corinth Miss April 4th 1865 which letter reads as follows
Corinth Miss
April 4th 1865

Dear Brother

I recd. your letter of the 2nd March on yesterday it was mailed in
to Borden the 27th came to hand on the 3rd a quick trip the letter you spoke of stopping to me
I have not read yet I was much pleased at getting a letter from you and have more
but hearing of the death of Little James it truly laments to me but I hope he is at rest
in heaven where the trials and troubles of earth will cease to perplex him comforted
spirit he must all rise and I hope we may meet in a world not like this but far
better and preferable your letter gave me much ease of mind so I had come to the conclusion
that we would not get letters any more from East Tennessee the battle you spoke of

I had seen an account but the bottom let Carter make war perfect news to us well that
will not get over it on a month the boys that came here from Carter are all well at this
time Livingston and Brown led to for two years our Captain attempted to reorganize his company
on the 2nd of this inst but for he only got 93 to recruit they want to get home as
bad as any set of men you ever saw the Federal then 1500 troops took up the Tennessee River
last week with 220 thousand troops and of course it is to take this place it is only 20 miles from
here the line and they advancing upon the River of Rebels in Tennessee yesterday there was a war
desultory then and moving about about Corinth yesterday and last night moving out to meet the
old our company is held in reserve whether we will get to be any of the fun is not known till
by my opinion is that in a week or ten days we will see and feel some thing about it there's
Captain Shunkman men a hundred losses and a vast amount of stores at Memphis last
week our Captain Jackson now led was there it is thought they got they slipped in on our
flank the other day and shot off two Regiments but they were playing gamblers to be
no at every place what is to be come of us I do not know poor fellows we must do the best
we can the grays will get all of us before they quit I do expect

I will now attempt to answer the business part of your letter and I am at a top looking
how to begin it as I cannot have the thing done according to law I am in Tennessee if I
I was in Tennessee I might get a lawyer to fight out the proceedings that would be legal but
I find under the circumstances that I am I cannot have it done I would prefer selling of it and
have the thing done right and a mortgage I would be willing to that but it would require a lawyer
proceeding in law and if Mr. Slayton wants to go it might involve the thing more than it
is at present and I have the utmost confidence in Mr. Slayton he will or would surrender his
claim in your hands at any time therefore I will say to you that if any thing should happen
to me that I never return home I want you to take my business then and wind it up the
best you can you can administer upon my estate and pay the debts and wind it up and
sell it and what is left after paying off I wish those little boys at Weatherly to have the
half of one half of it and I want it to be laid out in schooling of them actually the other
half after repairs are paid I want yourself and Little Bob and James Little Bob to have
I am just giving the state of my mind in short this thing will have to be done according
to law and this sort of settlement in my own hand something is as good as if I let the
form and taught it in full I am I want him to let my little boy have some money as he
very much it would I can come home and let him know it is my request as I promised to send
him some money I am home and of course he wait apart or all of it the rest of the things will
pay him and he can give some besides this letter you had better take good care of and
my papers are all left with Anne

So no more of that let hot Taylor and get him to attend to the business of Borden
the two year Redemption was out on my land the 24th day of Feb last I think
the Legislature gave 12 months more time don't fail to write to me Regularly as soon
you write Respect
Robt C. Galt

When held and taken down the road forming schools and the Green and then that may be on hand so very much to be disposed of by her as she may see fit and I am and beguile to my said wife after the payment of £1000 and I am and thing that may be one on from William Byrd in store I give the residue of my personal and real estate at the legacies and debts now stated.

Lastly I have by name nominated and appointed my wife Mary, Sonny and my son David jointly Executors of the last will and testament of this my last will and testament and wish the Court not to require security of them

Not knowing where I have written to let my hand and seal the copy of August 1841
Typed, sealed and acknowledged

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en votre présence

Ed. la Dainton

John Lusk

Thomas County

Barren County, Ind.

Monday May 1862

There was the first M. L. and Restaurant of R. Collins, Esq. located in Green Lane
and head and owner of Green M. Collins and first owner of the Suburban Hotel
on the corner of 1st and 2nd.

the lower kind of sandstone and shales. For this is the only one
which is not highly magnesian, all former shells made by sea.

And I give thanks to God to be disposed according to his good pleasure. And
using the grace with which it has pleased God to bless me I dispose of them as
I will.

Next I request Mr. Lane to be authorized hereafter mentioned to pay all my just debts out of my money that may come in his hands

Second To give to my beloved wife a great house all my house hold & children
furniture & have an land house & a choice flock here all the hope on hand & the
many schools & am third is the farm including the house where I now live
the land & the house & the natural life

Third I give leave to my son William from the first of June when he comes here to be taken at his husband's & the mother's

Spanish for the Settlement of my estate to be given is to be charged with the same
to the Edward to be given is to be charged with the same and the same
will be deducted out of the amount coming to them respectively these charges are
made because of the same must be made by me to them

With 8 fine and beautiful my home farm to John Green & his heirs. Lower
would be his. This is from 1 his home. And land to be covered with the
quartz pits the bottom into three parts. The quantity is to three parts
from 1 his home is to have the same line to the same the whole is to be

I sold & his heirs is to have the two lower lots Lewis, Howell & his heirs also have the two Middle lots including when I was alive Thomas Brown & his heirs is to have the two upper lots. Thirdly Say John Brown & Thomas Brown are to be paid at the time of the severance of the settlement of my estate they are to receive in the future nothing of my estate it being my intention to make all my children equal in the division of my estate.

Birth. The property was given to my Grandfather & his wife & all is given to him & his heirs & not from his husband & L. C. 1815.

Seventh It is my will that I should say one of my children thus: -

make you well by bringing ^{but} in the way we to look but there must be
bless & then intend to go to my children. Especially that is to say, father to
Edward & Maria. Elizabeth Thomas Brown Henry & Susan William & Anna
John Brown Elizabeth Hart wife of Edward Hart Mary Hart wife of
William Hart Anna Jane wife of William Hart George James wife of
John Marshall Jane Ellis wife of Capt John Marshall Mary Ann & Susan Mary
Margaret Smith wife of Jonathan Smith these being the children to be
I will say for myself & who admitted making equal
pretty. I remember Thomas Brown as the youngest of this group of children
disappeared. Interestingly when I came here ^{was} at my house & said the
so Jan 1862

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Monday September 2nd 1868.

This was the last trial and testament of Lord Cornistoff, and the
open court and sworn by Sir, B. R. and I. Made him the other witness
which is in words and form as follows.

I found some stuff of the beauty of Carter and still of someone saying
wisely that the best of sound mind and memory is made and contains the my
last best and lastest and truest

most I desire at my death to be buried in a desert and desolate place
the farther to be put out of our memory on land or out of the power of any
power. I mean in sea and not in a bay.

Secondly I assure all my suit that the price out of the proceeds of my present property

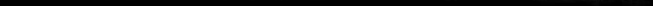
I should like to have to my wife's name all my real estate becoming her share
 should she die. I have Mary after my death I want the executor of this will to
 take possession of all my lands and things and to take the will of my wife's children

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one year & six I went to the Sea to enjoy myself, all the whilst, owing to
 so many upon which I was then
 duty at my work should the very many I then met my first last

personally to his children, these named
Society. I nominate and appoint my brother the said trustee of
this my last and testament

I have just
 received my new and sent in the Boston of Nov. 1848
 Melrose
 J. P. Fawcett
 New York
 11/11/48



The Last Will and Testament of John Gurdon and
State of Vermont. Now by three persons, that I John Gurdon of the State
of Vermont, County of Franklin, Sheriff, considering the frailty of the human
life and being of sound mind and memory do make and publish my last
will and Testament in writing and give as follows that is to say

First I do give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Gurdon a full
and sufficient maintenance during her natural life or widowhood in my house
and premises adjoining my land for the time

Second I do give and bequeath to my son John Gurdon twenty acres of
land which he now lives in, including the spring and his house, meaning there a
north east corner

Third I do give and bequeath to my son Archibald Gurdon the rest
of my land including the house in which I live

Fourth I do give and bequeath to my three Daughters The sum of one hundred
and fifty dollars to be equally divided between them Fifty dollars each, which sum
of money I will and order to be paid by my executors to my three Daughters the land
to which I made them heirs

Fifth I do give and bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Gurdon

Sixth I do give and bequeath to my three Daughters The sum of one hundred
dollars and here I do give and bequeath to my three Daughters to be equally
divided between them

And I do hereby appoint Henry Little as Executor of this my last will
and Testament

Witness my hand and seal this the nineteenth day of the month of August
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty four

John Gurdon

John Gurdon
Archibald Gurdon

Henry Little

John Gurdon

The Last Will and Testament of John Gurdon and

I do hereby appoint Henry Little as Executor of this my last
will and Testament which I hereby make and publish, and all other wills, in
writing, are made

First it is my will that all my last debts be paid including my funeral expenses
and all my money that may come into the hands of my executors after my death

Secondly I do give and bequeath to my son John Gurdon and Archibald Gurdon the sum of one hundred
dollars each, and to my daughter Sarah Gurdon the sum of one hundred dollars, and that my executors and that my executors should
be paid from the sum of one hundred dollars for that purpose at my expense

Thirdly I do give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Gurdon my four acres of land and all
the farming thereon, to be paid by my son John Gurdon and my daughter Sarah Gurdon, and all my farming
implements and all my house hold and kitchen furniture together with my
title lands and all the same belonging together with my present crops on hand and all the
grain on hand

I do give to my wife Sarah Gurdon twenty hundred dollars in money, the same amounting to and
which I request to be my wife during natural life, to be equally divided between
my three Daughters and their heirs at law

Fourthly I do give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Gurdon twenty hundred dollars in
money out of my money which I have on hand

I do give and bequeath to each of my Grand Children twenty hundred dollars in money

I do now make bequeath to my Grand Daughter Caroline Gurdon twenty acres of land on the
South side of the River in the Town of Vergennes, Vermont, and I do also make
bequeath to my Grand Daughter Caroline Gurdon to be paid to my Grand Daughter Caroline Gurdon
of both real and personal which may come into their hands which is not otherwise
herein disposed of and the proceeds thereof be equally divided between my three Daughters
and their heirs

It is my earnest request that my executors do my last will and Testament I do
make and publish, and I do appoint my executors as above and I do hereby make my will

It is also my wish that in the event of my marriage by my wife Sarah Gurdon after
my death that the two hundred dollars and bequeath be paid from the sum of one hundred
dollars which I have bequeathed to my Grand Daughter Sarah Gurdon, and that the balance of the
1834

John Gurdon
Archibald Gurdon
Henry Little

The Last Will and Testament of Joel Cooper deceased

I Joel Cooper of the County and State of the County of Adams in the State of Virginia being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do hereby make Ordinance and publish this my last will and Testament

and first it is my will that after my death that my Son shall be buried in a decent and Christian like manner and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And secondly I will and bequeath to my Grand Child William Henry the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Grand Child John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And thirdly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And fourthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And fifthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And sixthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And seventhly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

WILLIAM WILKINSON 7 1865

These are the Last Will and Testament of Jonathan Hyatt deceased

Jonathan Hyatt of the County and State of the County of Adams in the State of Virginia being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do hereby make Ordinance and publish this my last will and Testament

And first I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

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And eighthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And ninthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And tenthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And eleventhly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And twelfthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

And thirteenthly I will and bequeath to my Son Edmund the one half of my Daughter Sarah's Estate and the other half I will and bequeath to my Son John's Estate and I hereby charge my Executors hereafter named to see that this done

I Daniel Grindstaff of the County of Clark and State of Tennessee being in full health but of sound mind and memory do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament (Count)

First I desire at my death to be buried in a decent and Christian manner the expenses to be paid out of any money on hand or out of the proceeds of any property I may be seized and possessed of

Secondly I desire all my just debts paid out of the proceeds of my personal property

Thirdly I bequeath to my wife Louisa all my real estate during her widowhood should she marry after my death. I want the Executor of this will to take possession of all my lands and manage them for the benefit of my five children (and) until the youngest of them is twenty one years of age to wit: John H. Grindstaff, Nancy H. Grindstaff, Alexander Grindstaff, Elizabeth Grindstaff & Malinda Grindstaff

Fourthly After any one of my children above named shall have become twenty one years of age, I want he or she to enjoy equally all the benefits arising from the farm upon which I now live

Fifthly at my wife's death should she ever marry I bequeath my property both real and personal equally to my five children above named

Sixthly I nominate and appoint my Brother Alexander Grindstaff Executor of this my last will and Testament

Witness my hand and seal this 13 day of May 1868
 Daniel Grindstaff
 Seal

Witness
 J. P. Campbell

Mark Name

Proven in open Court this 1st day of Sept 1868

The Remuneration of Jonathan Hyde on 7 January 1867

Mr George W. Davis and Henry Davis having been called to the dead body of Jonathan Hyde and was lying the day before he died the 24 day of December 1863 and being specially called to take notice and witness his last will and Testament which was in English as follows (Count)

I want my Son J. O. Hyde and my Daughter Rada Hughes to have my Gray horse my Mule and my two horse wagon for their special benefit when I am dead and gone

2d It is my desire and my will that all the remainder of my property of all kinds my land money and every thing being owing to me be equally divided among all my children to wit Benjamin Hyde, Ellen Taylor, John Jonathan Hyde, Susan Hyde, Malinda Hyde, Sarah Edwards and J. O. Hyde

Witness
 J. O. Hyde

Mark
 Henry Davis

The last will and Testament of Nancy Morely

I Nancy Morely being in full health but of sound mind and memory do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament

First I want all my just debts paid out of any money on hand or to be collected by my executor hereinafter named

Secondly I give and bequeath to my son John W. Morely with whom I now live my Mountain tract of land containing three hundred acres

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucia wife of Jackson Grindstaff New, one Nuptial bed and one bed and breakfast

Fourthly I nominate and appoint my son John W. Morely my lawful Executor to wind up my business after my death

Given under my hand on the 13 day of July 1868
 Nancy Morely

Witness
 John W. Morely
 Joseph P. Vanhuss

February Term 1872 there was the last will and Testament of Samuel Smith read exhibited in open Court and proven by Smith Campbell & George E. Kane the subscribing witnesses thereof which is in words & figures as follows

I Samuel Smith of the County of Clark and State of Tennessee being sound mind and memory do on this 16 day of October 1868 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills in part or whole heretofore at any time made (Count)

First I desire that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money I may be possessed of that may come into the hands of my Executors

Secondly I give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Smith the one known as the Jack Spring farm & the other as the home farm on which I now live on I have conveyed by deed to my Son Samuel Smith & Samuel W. Smith & to my Son Samuel Smith & Samuel W. Smith by deed & executed on the 13 day of March 1868 and my Jack Spring farm to my Son Samuel Smith & Samuel W. Smith by deed & executed on the 13 day of March 1868 & Samuel W. Smith by deed & executed on the 13 day of March 1868 as shown by the several deeds hereinafter referred to

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my Oldest Daughter Ellen Hampton Smith child born to me & Mary Francis Smith & Malinda children of my Daughter Ellen Hampton Smith twenty dollars each to be paid by Executors within one year after my death

Fifthly my Second Daughter Mary Elizabeth Campbell twenty dollars to be paid by Executors

Sixthly my Daughter Malinda Hyde I have already provided for in the conveyance of land in her own name where Elizabeth Smith now lives

Seventhly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Smith wife of Samuel Smith three hundred dollars to be paid by Executors as soon as the my death is proven

Eighthly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Smith three hundred

dollar which amount if not soon paid I desire my Executors to pay over as soon as possible

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my son Lawson W. Smith of my personal property the following two milk cows and three measure four head of young cattle my Black Smith tool also my still & side Bourse and one cup & 3/4 dozen beds including the one he lies in & one half of the cooking utensils and Melrose furniture & three sheep and my wagon

Fifthly to my daughter Hellen Smith one hundred and business two milk cows and half share head of sheep two beds and furniture the balance of my personal property to be sold & all my debts to be collected

Sixthly I humbly appoint my son Elisha Smithed executor Campbell my Executor of this my last will and testament in writing whereof I have had my hand and seal this day & upon above written

Attest
Amos Campbell
George L. Bane

Samuel Smith Secy

Monday March Some 1812

That as the Last Will and Testament of Samuel B. Patterson was exhibited in open court and proven by it a Son & H. H. Robinson the said writing being these which is in words and figures as follows

I Samuel B. Patterson of the County of Carbon and State of New Jersey being of sound mind and memory but realizing the uncertainty of this life do make publish & declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills made by me

First: In humble acknowledgment of my belief in god I give my soul to him to be disposed of according to his good pleasure & request that my body be decently buried in a Christian burials by my family

Second: It is my will that the expenses of my burial and the just debts that I may owe at the time of my death be paid by my Executors hereafter to be named & that from any of money, stock or other choses in action I may have at that time if the funds arising from these sources should not be sufficient to pay my said funeral expenses & debts I desire that my Executors sell personal property I may own at the time of my death to raise a sufficient fund for those purposes

Third: After the payment of debts I will give and bequeath to my wife Catharine Patterson all the remainder of my personal property of every kind and description excepting the special bequests to my wife hereafter more herein absolutely to her and her heirs or she may see proper

Fourth: I will give and devise & bequeath to my Nephew Nicholas Carnegie all my Carpenter tools of every kind & description

Fifth: I will give bequeath & devise to my beloved wife Catharine Patterson the following tract of land to wit the home tract upon which I now live in Carbon County Penn containing seventy four acres more or less the tract adjoining the tract purchased by me of N. H. Butler also containing seventy four acres more or less & the tract purchased by me of N. H. Butler adjoining the home tract above named & containing thirty seven acres more or less to hold to myself and enjoy each of said three tracts of land for & during the term of my natural life

At the death of my wife Catharine I will give and devise to my nephew Nicholas Carnegie the said three tracts of land above devised to my said wife Catharine for life to be his absolutely at her death; but upon the express condition that he the Nicholas does not either before or after my death intermarry with one Sarah I have widow of Simon Lewis & formerly Sarah Ann Kelly whom I regard as a woman of bad character & might be his wife. If the said Nicholas should at any time violate this condition by an intermarriage with said Sarah I have then these devise to him is to be void and I will give and devise the said three tracts of land at the termination of the life estate given of my wife Catharine to the children of my niece Martha the widow wife of Joseph Hyden & the children of my Niece Elizabeth the widow wife of James Kelly in equal shares that is the children of said Martha Hyden to take an half share of the children of said Elizabeth Hyden to take the other half

Sixth: I will give bequeath & devise to my said nephew Nicholas Carnegie my tract of land in Carbon County purchased from me from N. H. Butler containing sixty three acres more or less also the tract of land in said County purchased by me from James D. Smith adjoining the tract above named and containing Nineteen acres more or less that the devise of these two tracts to said Nicholas is upon the same express condition that he does not

in her marry with the said Sarah Jane Smith & if he should at any time violate said condition by either marrying with her then this devise to him is to become inoperative and void and I will give & devise the said two tracts of land herein described to the children of Sarah H. Jones and Elizabeth H. Jones in the same manner & upon the same terms as apply to the other children but in proportion to their share in the death estate of this my last will.

6th I have heretofore paid out for the benefit of my Brotherless Nephew, David Smith about the sum of thirty dollars & have advanced to his wife my Sister Nancy Smith about the sum of twenty dollars. It is my will and desire that my Executor do not hold them to any account for said sums & that they owe nothing further or more of my estate.

7th It is my earnest wish and desire that my Nephew Nicholas George shall continue to make his home with my wife Catharine as heretofore done and that William Robarts board to me until nearly one year of age by order of the county court of Carter County remains in the family until the expiration of his term of service that he be sent to school at such times as he can be sent that when he arrives at the proper age he be learned the trade of a farmer, carpenter and fitter to look of himself when he reaches the age of twenty one years.

8th I hereby nominate constitute & appoint Elizabeth H. Jones & Elizabeth H. Jones both of Carter County Tennessee Executors of this my last will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name on this day of November A.D. 1871 in the presence of the following persons who at my request and in my presence have subscribed their names here as witnesses.

John H. Jones \$100
William Jones \$50
David Jones \$50

Witness

R. A. Smith

H. H. Johnson

J. B. Patterson

The Last Will and Testament of Mary Smith

September 1st There was the Last Will and Testament of Mary Smith & was exhibited in open court and by H. H. Johnson and there upon came David B. Johnson & H. H. Johnson the attesting witnesses therein who after being first sworn testified that they were personally acquainted with the Testator and that she acknowledged the execution of said will in their presence that she was of sound mind and disposing memory.

Which will is in words and figures as follows.

I Mary Smith being of sound mind and memory do make on claim public and declare this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former will by me at any time made.

I give my soul to God who give it to be disposed of according to his good pleasure and they and desire that my body be buried in a decent like manner by the order of my husband long since dead. Of my money property and effect I make the following disposition to I name my Executor herein after to be named to all my old debt and any funeral expenses and also to pay from General Estate for having my own & my husband's goods enclosed with

a neat and durable enclosure of Posts and rails and packing which I desire him to have done as soon after my death as he conveniently.

2nd. I have heretofore made a bequestment to my Daughter as follows: To Elizabeth Smith the sum of Two hundred and fifty five Dollars. To Sarah Smith the sum of One hundred and Twenty Dollars. To Maria Smith the sum of Eighty Dollars and fifty cents and To Ellen H. Smith the sum of Fifty Dollars. I being my last and desire that they have four hundred dollars each from my estate including said payments or advances already made to them which payments are to be counted as part of the three hundred dollars bequeathed to each of them.

I say I will give and bequeathed to my Son William Smith and Jane Smith each the sum of Fifty dollars.

4th I will give and bequeathed the sum of One hundred dollars to be equally divided between my Nephew James Smith the children of John Smith James Smith Sarah Smith Elizabeth Smith and Emma Smith.

5th I make the following special bequests of the articles of property mentioned to Mary Smith wife of James Smith my dearest now on the floor of one of the rooms of my house to George H. Smith my Son to James Smith & John Smith each one new Bed Blanket and to each one of my children one of my new dress. It is my will and desire that these articles be handed over by my Executor to the person to whom they are given as soon after my death as they are called for. I desire that my Executor sell all the balance of the property & effects I may have on hand at the time of my death the proceeds to be used in the payment of legacies herein made & if after they are all paid in full of the same I desire a surplus in the hands of my Executor I will give & bequeathed the same to my Son James Smith to be disposed of as he may see proper.

7. I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Son James Smith the Executor of this my last will and Testament & request him to act as such from under my hand this 23 day of November 1873.

Attest

H. H. Johnson

D. B. Johnson

Mary Smith
mark

In addition to the foregoing special bequests I give to Sarah Edmon wife of George Edmon my new set of China Tea cups and saucers and a new dress of John Jones my set of Pale Blue Plate & desire that these articles be given to them after my death by my Executor and they shall be regarded as a bequest to my well beloved children this 23 day of November 1873.

Attest

H. H. Johnson

D. B. Johnson

Mary Smith
mark

Monday March 10th 1874

Then was the last will and Testament of Henry I. Snyder, who lived in a poor, small and much by John W. Dyer, provided by John W. Dyer and Thomas A. Dyer, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be Registered.

Which will is in words and figure as follows:
I Henry I. Snyder of Elizabeth City, Tennessee being of sound mind memory and understanding do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First

I give and bequeath to my wife Kate A. Snyder all my household and personal furniture of every description my law and the sum of one dollar in hand to be paid out of my business here as soon as the same may be realized.

Second I give and bequeath to Frank Snyder my house and lot in the township in the county, Dodge and State of Wisconsin and I desire that the title of this property be used for the education and support of Frank Snyder until he shall be come of legal age to assume control of the same and I further desire that Henry Wilkes Snyder when he shall be come of lawful age shall assume control of the property bequeathed to Frank Snyder and manage the same for said Frank Snyder until he shall be come of age.

Third

I give and bequeath to Henry Wilkes Snyder all the residue of my property of every description including fifteen hundred dollar in the County United States bonds which are now in the and possession of the firm Green, McBlung & Co of the City of New York and of said firm of Green, McBlung & Co agreeably to the condition of a certain instrument of writing executed by me on or about the 10th of April 1873 the said instrument of writing being filed with said bonds.

Fourth

I direct that my business be closed up as soon as it can be done without expense and the proceeds (except the bequest to Kate A. Snyder) and the proceeds be invested in such way and manner as will afford the largest income having a special reference to the safety and security and bearing interest payable either monthly or semi-annually.

Fifth

I direct and desire that the interest accruing on the bequest of One thousand dollars heretofore made to Kate A. Snyder and rental of the property heretofore bequeathed to Frank Snyder and the interest accruing on the bonds in the hands of Green, McBlung & Co and heretofore bequeathed to Henry Wilkes Snyder and the interest accruing on all other property now owned by me of every description what ever be used for the support and support of my family and the education and maintenance of Frank and Henry Wilkes Snyder, and in the event it should be

insufficient for the support of Kate A. Snyder, Frank Snyder and Henry Wilkes Snyder then so much of the bequest heretofore made Henry Wilkes Snyder as may be necessary be used for that purpose but no more than is necessary.

Lastly

I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint Kate A. Snyder, Frank Snyder and John I. Dyer of Elizabeth City, Tennessee of this my last will and Testament to carry the same into effect according my intentions herein before expressed.

Signed by me on this 20 day of January 1874.

Henry I. Snyder

Signed, published and declared by the said Henry I. Snyder as his last will and Testament in the presence of us who at the request of the said Henry I. Snyder and in his presence and the presence of each other have this day hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

Witness

Thomas A. Dyer

John W. Dyer