

and the other remaining half I desire should be equally divided between my brothers and sisters and their children. save two children of my brother Norman who died in North Carolina. whom I desire shall have but one dollar each out of my estate.

Lasting I hereby nominate Constitute and appoint my beloved wife's executive and trustee executor of this my last will and testament.

The testimony whereof I have caused set my hand and affixed my seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Aug-  
1862.

Done in presence of

John Northfield

J. M. Tracy

J. W. Anderson

S. A. Morgan

Copper County, At a County Court began and held for Copper County on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 1862. The foregoing Last Will and Testament of J. N. Williams deceased was produced to the Court by Mr. Tracy his executor named and sworn by the oath of Issac Anderson one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered by the Court to be recorded which is accordingly done.

Witness my hand at Office the 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1862  
Norman S. Emerson Clerk

— This the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1862 —  
In the name of God amen I  
do the witness of the County of Copper and  
State of Minnesota, being of sound mind and  
memory, and considering the uncertainty  
of this frail and transitory life, do therefore  
make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my  
last will and testament, that is to say —  
First after all my lawful debts are  
paid and discharged. The residue of my  
estate Real and personal, I give bequeath  
and dispose of as follows —

to my son H. B. Williams, Negro John and  
Margaret his wife, to my son D. M. Williams  
or his or her wife Miss Whiting, and the forty-five  
acres tract the tract of his, and that sum  
of \$250.00 more shall be sold, if need be to pay  
my debts and if it don't take up the money  
to satisfy the debts then the balance  
of my property to be divided between H. B. Williams  
and D. M. Williams in the second and  
the money equally divided between them, this  
is to be done at my death.

I appoint my son H. B. Williams or  
my executors to carry out my will as  
follows —

Walter	3	D. M. Williams Esq.
Rev. Morgan	3	
S. Jolly	3	
Estate of Temperance	3	

Copper County, At a County Court be-  
gan and held for Copper County at the Court-  
House in the town of Minneapolis on the 6<sup>th</sup>  
day of October 1862. The foregoing, Last Will  
and Testament of David H. Williams deceased  
was produced to Court by H. B. Williams  
the executor therein named and proven by the  
oath of S. A. Morgan and S. Jolly the Subscri-  
bing witnesses thereto and ordered to be re-  
corded which is accordingly done.

Witness my hand at Office the 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1862  
Norman S. Emerson Clerk

Manlius Junction August 9<sup>th</sup> 1861  
Mrs A. E. Cunningham Dear Lord —

I beg leave to you all my notes  
accounts, all my stocks of all kinds and all  
my interest in my father's estate after first  
paying, also my just debts and funeral  
expenses, which you are to have during my  
natural lifetime or widowhood and  
then in either of these above named cases it  
is to go to my daughter H. B. Cunningham

and, I want you ~~our~~ guardians to send J.B. to School and give her as good an education as she is capable of receiving and the expenses to come out of her estate. I have three tracts of land lying in Grundy County Tennessee two five thousand acre tracts, and one three thousand hundred acre tract lying in Grundy County, one of said tracts is known as the Mrs. Cowan tract it comes immo<sup>l</sup> with the tract - and one tract known as the Littlejohn tract, these three tracts I bequeath to my daughter Victoria B. Cunningham and to the sum of her body; the two five thousand acre tracts I want to be sold off for Grun-  
dine and the money, to be used to educate J.B. Cunningham. I want my beloved wife A.C. Cunningham to have my one horse buggy and harness and to do as she pleases with it, and I give her all the household furniture to dispose of to suit herself yourself

2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1861

Allot  
J. R. L. Johnson  
P. G. Eason  
Dixie Reynolds

J. M. Cunningham

Place of Principal

Coffee County, 3 Wm A County Court began  
and tried for Coffee County at the Court House  
in the town of Manchester the 3d day of  
November 1862 the foregoing last and  
testimony of T.M. Cunningham deceased  
was produced to the Court and approved in  
open Court by the oath of J.R. Gurn one of  
the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to  
be recorded which is accordingly done  
Wm A County Court at office this 5th day of November 1862

Hiram S. Emerson Clark

Susanna Neely do make and publish  
this my last will and testament

P.S. - I don't think after my funeral ex  
penses and all my debts are paid, & you  
and I agreed to my wife Mary have all  
my property both real and personal, Consist-  
ing of lands, cattle negroes, Stock, house hold,  
also Kitchen furniture and every thing else  
& may be disposed of at my death

This the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of December, 1861  
Signed Sealed Delivered Benjamin F. French Esq.  
in our presence, B. V. Jenkins.

State of Pennsylvania

Coffee County, At a County Court began  
and held for Coffee County in the town of  
Manchester on the 7th Day of June 1863, the  
foregoing Last will and Testament of Benjamin  
Kivill was produced to the Court and proven  
by the oaths of J. W. Jenkins the Subscribing  
Witness unto and intended to be recorded  
which is accordingly done

Philip Mayhew at Office this 2<sup>d</sup> day of April 1863  
Biram S. Emerson Clerk

I hereby revoke all wills and testaments and  
my last will and testament.

I First - & give and bequeath to my  
wife Mary Ann E. Neills all my estate both  
real and personal without any reserve during  
her natural life or widowhood with the ex-  
ception of the property which she was bequeathed  
of which we were married, which I desire her  
to have and keep possession of and dispose of  
as she pleases. May 2nd proper whether she  
remains a widow after my death or not.  
Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint  
my wife Mary Ann E. Neills my executors -  
for writing whereof I do to this my act my  
hand and seal this 11th day of April 1863

Atttest

J H Clark

L M Chapman

State of Juniper }

Copper County, } On the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April a County Court began and held for Copper County at the Court House in the town of Manchester on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1863. The foregoing Last Will and Testament was produced to Court by the executors and proven by the oaths of J H Clark and L M Chapman the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done  
Witness my hand at office this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1863  
William S. Edwards Notary Public

to Mason Vannoy made this day last  
written in the presence of me first desirous that my just debt  
would be paid. & give my farm near

Manchester to my wife for her lifetime  
and at her death to my two sons McEwan  
and Mason to have and to hold forever.

& give to my said wife the following  
Legacy by Hattie, Bettie Charles and  
Henry for her lifetime at her death to my  
two sons McEwan and Mason forever.

To Ellen Gardner my daughter and  
my son Bruce Vannoy each a Reward

& give to my daughter Margaret  
Brown a servant girl named Anna to  
have and to hold forever.

& give to my daughter Mary Dabbs  
a servant named Florence to have  
and to hold forever.

& give to my son McEwan an  
servant boy named Willie to have and to  
hold forever.

The balance of my estate of every  
description both Real and Personal property

Attest  
Harden Nellie Seal.

Notes, Claims or debts of mine and of property  
to my said wife Jane Vannoy, for and during  
her Lifetime and at her death to my two sons  
McEwan and Mason money, to have and to hold  
forever.

Witness my hand and seal this fifth day of  
March 1863 Eighteen hundred and Sixty three

William Vannoy, Notary

Signed and sealed by the testator in his  
presence this day, and date above written Copper  
County, Juniper

A. H. Vannoy,  
W. C. Allay,

State of Juniper }

Copper County, } As a woman, weak & gain and  
help for Copper County at the Court House in the  
town of Manchester on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September  
1863. the foregoing, last will and testament of  
Mason Vannoy, deceased was produced to Court  
and proven by the wife of the testator one of the  
subscribing witnesses. Testis and is dead to be  
Recorded which is accordingly done

Witness my hand at office the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1863  
William S. Edwards Notary Public

to Cornelius Woodruff of the City  
of Louisville State of Kentucky being of  
fable health, but of sound disposing mind  
and memory do in consideration of the  
uncertainty of life, make this my last will  
and testament.

First - after the payment of my fu-  
neral expenses, and all my debts, I give  
to my wife Mary A. Woodruff living in the  
said City of Louisville Kentucky the sum  
of fifty dollars. Then I give and bequeath  
to my dear Child Mr Cornelius Woodruff  
all the remainder of my estate, Cash on hand  
or by debts due and all my property of  
every kind. Lastly I do hereby constitute  
and appoint my esteemed friend Mr

Kindest of the said City of Louisville Kentucky  
my executor of this my last will and  
testament given under my hand this  
22<sup>d</sup> day of August A.D. 1863 done in the  
presence of the following witnesses who  
at my request have become subscribers  
to this instrument.

Cornelius M. Woodruff Esq:

Dallahoma Simpson J. Estlin James  
A Henry Martha Heaven Jacob F. Cook  
I hereby certify that C. M. Wood-  
ruff was of sound mind and capable  
of transacting business at the time of  
making this will

J. C. Orr Secy. N.S.

Attending Physician

State of Kentucky  
Copper County - Before a County Court  
to you and held for Copper County at the  
Court house in the town of Manchester  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1863, the  
foregoing last will and testament of  
Cornelius M. Woodruff deceased was pro-  
duced to the Court by John Rempp the  
executor there named and proven by the  
act of Jacob F. Cook one of the subscribing  
witnesses thereto and ordered to be con-  
sidered which is according to law

Philip Emerson S. Emerson Clerk of our  
County Court at office this 10<sup>th</sup> day of  
October 1863

Philip Emerson Clerk

I Thomas J. Rodas of the County of Copper  
and State of Kentucky being weak in bodily  
health but of sound disposing mind and memory  
and understanding calling to mind the  
certainty of death and the uncertainty of the  
time thereof and being desirous to settle and  
adjust my worldly affairs before it shall

please Almighty God to call me hence to  
make and ordain this my last will and testa-  
ment in the manner and form as follows

I am First - I bequeath to my two daughters  
viz Alice A. Jackson and Melinda L. Dix one  
hundred acres of land each - said lands to  
be located as follows, to begin on a point  
the North West corner of the Flat Mountain tract  
and the North East corner of the Mary Cum-  
belle tract and running south so as to inc-  
lose one hundred acres by running due  
East to the East boundary line of a thirty  
acre tract; this one hundred acres I desire  
my daughter Melinda L. Dix to have and  
one hundred acres if the same shape ly-  
ing on the South side of the one hundred  
acres above named (first named) I desire  
my daughter Alice A. to have.

I am Second - I desire that my Grand  
son Thomas J. Rodas be made equal  
with the other heirs out of the proceeds  
of the land aside and apart from the bal-  
ance of the Flat Mountain tract and the  
Thirty acre tract. This portion of will and  
desire that my son Thomas J. Rodas to have  
after the death of his mother and also  
all my farming, interests, and house hold  
property and also my mare and colt and  
two cattle all my sheep and hogs and the  
present growing crop. I will and desire that  
my daughter Alice and her child have  
the necessary allowance for one year provision  
The balance for my son Vernon and his

Mother.

I am Third - I will that the balance of  
my estate either personal or real unmentioned  
shall be equally divided among the four heirs  
above named. I hereby constitute my son  
John C. Rodas and Vernon J. Rodas my executors  
of this my last will and testament I witness to  
my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1863

John Rodas 3  
Vernon J. Rodas 3  
Thomas J. Rodas (Seal)

and Co. & cils are -  
I further desir this my reasons be made  
known for giving my son more land by  
a small amount than the others have  
to have the care of my dear companion his  
dear mother during her life I further de-  
sire that the portions of each of my daughter  
lands be equal and may grandsons Thomas  
James Barnes be made equal in a prop-  
erty limit with each of them. If said Thomas  
James Barnes should die without issue  
his portion to pass back to my estate  
this date 26th 1864.

Attest

J. F. Ryer, Esq. ) Thomas & Rodew (F. S. )  
and C. Rodew )  
State of Pennsylvania

Coffee County, I, at a County Court be-  
gan and held for Coffee County at the  
Court House in the town of Manchester  
on the 3d day of October 1864 the fore-  
going last will and testament of Thomas &  
Rides deceased was produced to the Court  
by Mr. Wm. L. Jones one of the executors there  
names and those by the oaths of J. F. Ryer  
and J. C. Rodew the subscribing witnesses thereto  
and ordered to be record. which is accor-  
dingly done.

Philip Remond Emerson Clerk of our County  
Court at office this 4th day of October 1864  
Philip Remond Emerson Clerk

I, Mary Gentry do make and publish  
this as my last will and testament hereby  
mentioning and making void all other wills by  
me at any time made.

First - I desire that my funeral expenses  
and all my debt be paid as soon after my  
death as possible, out of my money that  
I may be possessed of or may find

come into the hands of my executors  
Second - I bequeath to George and Eliza Dicks  
my one horse two Cows and one doily eight  
Head of hogs two beds and bed Sheets and  
all the rest of my household and Kitchen pos-  
sessions and all my notes and debts are paid  
Lastly - I do hereby nominate and appoint  
J. D. Harran and Geo. Weston my executors and  
the Court is not to require any bond or  
security of them

In witness whereof I do sign this my will in  
my hand and seal this 19th day of April 1864

Signed sealed and delivered in our presence } Mary Gentry, (F. S. )  
J. D. Harran, (F. S. )  
Wm. G. Phillips, (F. S. )

State of Pennsylvania, (F. S. )

Coffee County, At a County Court be-  
gan and held for Coffee County at the Court's  
House in the town of Manchester on the 7th day  
of November 1864 the foregoing last will and  
testament of Mary Gentry was presented to Court  
and proven by the oath of J. D. Harran one of  
the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to  
be recorded.

And at a County Court began and  
held for Coffee County at the Court house in the  
town of Manchester on the 8th day of December  
1864 the same was proven by the oaths of Wm. G.  
Phillips the other subscribing witness thereto

Witness my hand at Office this 10th day  
of December 1864

Mary Gentry Clerk

I Pleasant Neale do make this my last  
will and testament hereby revoking and make  
void all other wills by me at any time  
made.

First I desire that my funeral expenses  
and all my debts be paid as soon after my

death as possible out of any money that I may die seized or possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executors those authority to pay, stand-

Secondly - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Polly Price all my estate both real and personal, all money, stocks bonds bills and every species of property that I may die seized of during her natural life or widowhood, But upon her death or marriage or happening of either & two and bequests to my three beloved children.

Henderson, Hiram W., Steele and Elizabeth A. Nine all of my property both real and personal to be divided equally among them  
The witness whereof I do to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal this 10th day of May, 1865.

Attest  
L. R. Wilcox <sup>Seal</sup> Pleasant N. Emerson <sup>Seal</sup>  
M. M. Wilcox  
State of New York

Coffee County, At a County Court being held for Coffee County at the Court house in the town of Manchester on the 3d day of April, 1865 the foregoing last will and testament of Pleasant N. Emerson deceased was presented to Court and proven by the oaths of L. R. Wilcox and M. M. Wilcox the subscribing witnesses true and indeed to be recorded which is accordingly done  
Witness Hiram S. Emerson Clerk of our County Court at Office this 2d day of April 1865

Hiram S. Emerson Clerk

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I Olin O. Brown do make and publish this my last will and testament.

I witness I desire all my debts to be paid out of any money that I may die possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my executors Ammiel H. Ward

Secondly I desire all the remainder of my estate real and personal to remain in the possession of my wife Emma Emerson during her lifetime or widowhood, upon her death or marriage I desire the same to be divided pro rata, as the Statutes of New York direct in case of intestacy.

Thirdly if my wife Emma Emerson should marry, then my Executor be made partition between her and her children in the manner indicated in the second clause hereof and should she die without marrying, then my execution is to partition the same between Hiram S. Miller & his widow Mrs. Miller.

Fourthly it is my desire that my wife have care of the property as directed and for the time named in the second clause hereto to educate her from the rents and profits thereof to raise and educate my children and they, my said children are not to be charged by her anything for their keeping or education.

Fifthly I hereby nominate and appoint Pleasant H. Price executor of this my last will and testament and give to him ample power to carry out the same by a sale and conveyance of partition as he may think best of all my estate real and personal and in any way he may think fit.

I also appoint Pleasant and H. Price co-executors of my estate and guardians for my children acknowledged and

D subscribed in our presence

J. P. Gardner  
Henry C. McBrown  
Hiram S. Emerson  
Burro H. Emerson

State of Tennessee }  
 Coffey County } At a County Court began  
 and held for Coffey County at the Court  
 House in the town of Manchester on the 3d  
 day of July 1865 the foregoing last will  
 and testament of Col. Brown deceased  
 was produced to Court and proven by  
 Pleasant H. Price the executor therein named  
 and proven by the oaths of Hirain S. Emerson  
 and Burr J. Thompson two of the subscribing  
 witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which  
 is accordingly done.

Hirain S. Emerson Clerk of our  
 County, Court of Coffey County at Office this  
 3d day of July 1865

Hirain S. Emerson Clerk

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New Zelina Dike County Georgia April  
 2nd 1864.

Now my last will and testament made  
 this 2d April 1864.

I hereby will and bequeath to my wife  
 Bettie Ann all the property both personal  
 and real that I may die possessed and  
 possessed if and to have as full control  
 over the same as I would if living  
 said property at her death to go to my  
 children. My land in Tennessee shall  
 not be sold but remain in her pos-  
 session during her life. If she should  
 marry then her power to sell or dispose  
 of said property to cease but it may  
 remain in her possession and otherwise  
 under her control until her death  
 said property shall not become liable  
 for her debts. At her death said property  
 shall descend to my children as if I  
 died in testate.

I hereby nominate and appoint said  
 wife Bettie Ann my executor without

bond or security and if she should die I hereby  
 nominate and appoint Caroline L. Hickison my  
 sister as my executrix and my children  
 guardian without bond or security.

Burrill J. Thompson

State of Tennessee }

Coffey County } At a County Court began  
 and held for Coffey County at the Court  
 House in the town of Manchester on the 6th  
 day of November 1865. The foregoing last  
 will and testament of Burrill J. Thompson  
 was produced to Court by Bettie Ann Thompson  
 the Executrix then natural. Thompson  
 Mity Hickison & J. Homelason and H.  
 Wilkinson were duly sworn in open Court  
 and state on oath that they were well  
 acquainted with the hand writing of  
 Burrill J. Thompson and that before the  
 instrumental writing produced to Court  
 and to be proven is entirely in the  
 hand writing of the said Burrill J.  
 Thompson. Whereupon the same is ordered  
 to be recorded as the last will and  
 testament of Burrill J. Thompson deceased  
 which is accordingly done.

Witness my hand at office this 3d day of  
 November 1865.

Hirain S. Emerson Clerk

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First - I commend my soul to God in  
 the hands of Dr. Clegg  
 & Dr. Stephens of Coffey County, State of  
 Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind  
 and memory do make and publish this my  
 last will and testament, hereby revoking all others  
 by me made

First - I command my soul to God in  
 humble hope of a blessed immortality -

Second - In as much as I have advanced  
 to my sons Thomas and James Stephens their  
 full share of my entire estate - do therefore ex-

slide them from any fruitless devotions in  
my effects after my death.

Third - I desire that the remuneration due  
of Michael Stephens to be paid their respective  
portion of the Thousand Dollars wherefore I  
order them paid out of any means that  
I may leave in the hands of my executors  
who are directed to pay the same as soon as  
collected before my death or afterwards not to  
appropriate any of the money derived from the  
Sale of the girls of Slavery, and Children

Forth - I desire after my death that my  
Book in the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad  
be sold either at public or private sale as will  
be best and the proceeds equally divided among  
all my heirs except the two above mentioned  
also the means that I may die seized and  
possessed of after paying all lawful claims  
against me except the proceeds of said negro  
Sale, and have divided equally among my six  
heirs.

Fifth - I desire the proceeds of said Sale  
of negroes to be equally divided among my  
daughter Charles wife, my son William also  
my son George his wife and my son Michael his  
Wife, I directed all my earthly matters  
to my attorney, I do hereby constitute and  
appoint Willis Blanton my executor having  
his consent to carry out my above given  
under my hand and seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January  
1865 - witness

John Hodges } I am Stephen's Dead  
R. H. Smith } atty

State of Tennessee At a Court of Court began and  
held for Coffey County at the Court  
House in the Town of Manchester on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
December 1865 The foregoing last will and testament  
of John Stephens deceased was produced to Court  
and sworn by the oaths of John Hodges and R. H.  
Smith the subscribing witnesses thereto and  
appeared to be wherein which is accordingly done  
whereby my hand at office this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 1865  
Hiram S. Emerson Clerk

in the name of God Amen  
I Stephen Elliott being of sound and disposing  
minde and memory full of full health and considering  
the uncertainty of the life and being; desirous of  
disposing of my worldly goods according to my wishes  
before I shall be called to give my spirit to God  
who gave it do make and publish this my last  
will and testament.

I desire my body, after death to be  
buried in a plain decent manner. After all my  
debts are paid I give and bequeath all my property  
of every kind to my the land on which I live house  
hold and kitchen furniture and stock of all kinds  
to my beloved wife Nancy, Jane Elliott during her  
marital life and at her death to dispose of as she  
may think proper.

I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint  
my said beloved wife Nancy, Jane Elliott my sole  
Executor of the my last will and Testament  
Witness, whereof I have set my  
hand and affixed my seal this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February  
1865 - signed sealed published and declared in  
the presence of G. C. McCutchen

M. H. Lee } Stephen Elliott Executor  
W. H. Stephens

State of Tennessee At a County Court begun  
and held for Coffey County in the Court House  
in the town of Manchester on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February  
1866 The foregoing last will and testament of John  
Elliott deceased was produced to Court by  
Nancy Jane Elliott the Executive therein named  
and sworn by the oaths of G. C. McCutchen and  
W. H. Stephens two of the Subscribing witnesses thereto  
and ordered to be recorded which is accordingly  
done. Witness my hand at office this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 1866

Hiram S. Emerson Clerk

Alexander Jernigan of Coffey County  
Swear do make and publish this my  
last will and testament having recited all  
former wills by me made.

Fifth - I direct that my funeral expenses  
and all my just debts be paid out the first  
money that may come to the hands of my  
executor.

Sixth - I give and bequeath to my wife  
Lizzy one third of my house during her nat-  
ural life, to be left off so as to include my  
mansion house with the out houses and all muck  
of the farm as the may, need for cultivation  
also one time brash two cows and calves and  
one sow and pigs and fowls killing or part  
hogs two head of sheep and birds and furniture.

The balance of my kitchen and household furni-  
ture except bed or as much thereof as she may  
desire to keep and likewise and set of gears for  
plowing, one cow at and one spinning wheel.

Thirdly - I direct all the balance of my  
household estate be sold, and out of the proceeds  
I give and bequeath to my daughter Polly  
wife of Nathan Jernigan twenty five dollars  
in money.

Fifthly - I will and direct all my real  
estate to my son George, Juno, Nelly  
Elizabeth George, Nelly, wife to be subject  
to the life estate of my wife in one third and  
to be divided so as to give to Nelly fifty dollars  
the advantage in the division that is to make  
her share worth fifty dollars more than the  
share of either of the other and the shares of  
each of the others to be equal.

Sixth - all the real securities of my estate  
of every description I will and direct shall be  
equally divided between my two sons.

Lastly - I nominate and appoint my two  
sons George & Nelly Jernigan Executors of this my  
last will and testament. I do said Alexander  
have hereunto affixed my hand and seal  
this 16th day of July 1847.

Signed, sealed in the presence of us  
~~With hands so joined our names as witnesses in the~~  
presence of the testator and  
in the presence of each other.

this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1847

C. C. Starke

Elijah Boggs

State of Kansas

Coffey County

Alexander Jernigan Sub  
Signature

Act in County Court  
began and held for Coffey County, at the Court  
House in the town of Manhattan on the 6<sup>th</sup> day  
of February 1866 the foregoing last will and  
testament of Alexander Jernigan late deceased produced  
to Court and proved by the wife of C. C. Starke  
and of the subscribing subscribers thereto and ordered  
to be record which is accordingly done this 6<sup>th</sup>  
day of Feb'y 1866

Attest S. C. Cameron, Clerk

Topeka Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 1845

On the name of God Amen  
Now all men be it knowne that I, Dr.  
A. Jernigan of the County of Coffey and State of  
Kansas being sound in mind and memory  
do make and publish this my last will and  
testament as following to wit:

First - I give my soul to God who gave it  
Second - Dr. is my next after my death  
my body shall be buried at Spring Creek  
County in a plain and decent manner  
the expense of which to be paid out my  
effects, or may leave be had.

Third - To do by these presents will and be  
queat to my beloved wife Matilda Elizabeth Kell  
all my real and personal estate that may  
remain after paying my just debts. I have  
my house or place of land upon which I  
now live on the waters of Spring Creek in  
the County of Coffey and State of Kansas  
is the Justice in and bounded as follows

twit. One the west by the lands of  
Berry Riley on the North by a tract claimed  
by Dalton Coffey and one belonging to Berry  
Riley on the East by the lands of Robt. Po.  
and in the South by the lands of Mrs. Jane  
Maffey.

Distribution - All my personal property both  
all my farming utensils, my Cart and  
ox my boy horses and all my Cattle with  
all other effects whatsoever now belonging  
to me to have and to hold during her nat-  
ural life and I do further provide that  
should it become necessary for her my  
dear wife to sell or convey any or all  
of the above personal estate and real, and  
she is by these presents fully empowered to  
make a good and lawful title to the same  
by virtue of this my last will and testament  
further I furthermore provide and it is my  
will that whatever of Said estate may remain  
at her decease if any the same shall be  
divided between all my legal heirs and  
representatives to wit Johnnabell Hale Remond  
Gunn Davis Hale his Putman the only  
heir of my daughter Mary Ann Putman deceased  
Sarah Hale Putman Pleasant Hale Martin  
Hale & N. Hale provided further that the  
sum of twenty five dollars and twenty five  
cents worth interest according to the date  
of my note and credits written on same  
and bequeath by William Putman since be  
due the sum of Sarah A. Putmans part  
which I have in the hands of my wife  
to be disposed of in accordance to the  
above provisions

All of which I do declare to be my  
last will and testament in writing whereof I  
hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 23<sup>rd</sup>  
day of September 1865

Witness  
A. D. Gammons  
A. Corrovo  
F. M. Yule

John G. Hale (Signed)

State of Georgia } At a County Court held  
Coffey County } and held for Coffey Court by the Clerk  
Known in the town of McElmoor on the 8<sup>th</sup>  
day of February 1866 in the foregoing last will  
and testament of John G. Hale deceased was  
produced to Court and proved by the test.  
of R. P. Hammon one of the subscribing witnesses  
there and declared to be genuine which is accom-  
plished done. Witness my hand at office this 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of February 1866. William S. Edwards Clerk

The same was proven at the former Second  
1866 by the Clerk of the Circuit Court

By Thomas G. Hale No. 111, male and  
published this my last will and testament hereby  
repeating, and making void all other wills  
by me at any time made

First - I declare that my funeral expenses  
and all my just debts may be paid out  
of any money that may be at hand at the  
time of my death in the most frugal man-  
ner into the hands of my wife, Mary Spence

Second I give due bequeath unto my beloved  
wife Mary Spence all the personal property  
and real estate that I may die possessed  
possessed of including money notes due in  
action. The said Mary Spence is hereby invested  
with full power and authority to sell and  
dispose of any or all of the property as she  
may think proper for her own support  
and the payment of any debts that I may  
owe, and for the purpose of making daily  
and necessary moneys for the purpose above  
mentioned. She is hereby invested with full  
power and authority to make all necessary  
deeds and transfers for arbitration, property  
after marriage or real may be left after  
the payment of my just debts as to be the

the said Mary Spies absolutely to do  
with as she may think best.

I do hereby nominate and appoint  
Mary Spies my executor with all the power  
above mentioned I have under my hand and  
date this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 1867.

Attest

J.W. Binger

R.H. Casey

State of Pennsylvania

Cape County At a County Court began  
and held for Cape County at the Court House  
in the town of Manchester on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1868 in the foregoing, last will and testa-  
ment of Thomas L. Spies deceased was produced  
to Court and proven by the oaths of J.W. Binger  
and R.H. Casey the subscribing witnesses teste-  
d and ordered to be recorded which is accor-  
dingly done witness my hand at Offord this 8<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 1868.

William S. Connor Clerk

In the name of God amen I say unto you  
Conscious that it is appointed for all persons to  
die and being sensible that from increasing  
age and the infirmities of old age come  
I cannot long remain upon earth Commanding  
my soul to God and hoping for His part-  
ing mercy I make this my last will and  
testament hereby revoking all others

First - I desire that my body be buried  
decently and that the expenses thereof be paid  
by my executors out of the first money that  
may come into his hands from my estate

Second - I desire that all my personal  
property of all kinds, such as books, furniture  
household and kitchen, beds bedsteads bed  
clothing and all other articles about the  
premises now occupied by me be sold by  
my executors on a credit of twelve months

for all sums over five dollars excepting  
such articles as may be herein after  
specified as otherwise disposed of -

I do desire that all the notes of  
mine due me now in my possession  
and whatever money may be found ~~that~~  
found at my decease and whatever may  
be due on account at that time shall  
be taken into his possession by my executors  
and after the collection of the notes and  
accounts that amount arising from the  
same together with the amount arising from  
the collection of the late notes and accounts  
together from which my money come into  
his hands from my estate shall be divided  
among my children as follows. To my  
daughter Polly the wife of Dr. G. H. Price  
the sum of my oldest child & of one  
dollar & 50 cents to be paid to her out of  
the proceeds of said notes and accounts  
and of the money on hand or which money  
may be received by my executors from  
my estate. I left to my said daughter  
Polly no more of my estate because I  
consider that she has not treated me  
as a daughter should treat a mother and  
furthermore that she and her husband  
Price have gotten either directly or  
indirectly a portion of my estate equal to  
that which would have fallen to the share  
of a child at my death, which has been  
done by my said daughter Polly and her  
said husband getting into their possession  
money and effects belonging to me or my  
husband during his life which money and  
effects have never been accounted for by  
them or either of them.

To my son William I give an equal  
part of my estate which is to be distribut-  
ed among all my other children excepting  
Polly already named. Equally share and  
there also deducting from the share of

Joseph E. Crecor Eighty dollars ~~one~~  
amount being due me from him and this  
distribution among my surviving children  
or their representatives is to be made equal  
provided said Joseph E. Crecor should  
survive me but if he should die before  
me his portion is in that case to be  
equally distributed among my other  
children or their representatives always  
excepting my daughter Polly Price  
who is in the care to receive <sup>and</sup> my  
my estate ~~and~~ the amount heretofore  
bequeathed to her.

The children among whom the equal  
distribution of my estate is to be made  
are as follows namely William now living  
in Mississippi John supposed to be dead but  
not certain Joseph Elias now living in the  
State of Tennessee Elizabeth now living in  
Arkansas Sarah now living in Mayes  
County Tennessee Jordan Crecor now living  
in Mississippi David now living in  
the town of Pittsburg Tennessee my son  
John who went off to the Texas war  
with Mexico has never returned nor been  
heard from and is supposed to be dead  
but if he or any child of his should appear  
before my estate is settled up by my exec-  
utor I desire that he should receive an  
equal portion with the others as herein before  
stated and if however any child of his should  
not appear within the time allowed by law  
for settling up my estate then his share  
shall be equally distributed among the  
others as herein before provided with the ex-  
ception heretofore named.

Lastly I bequeath to my daughters  
Elizabeth and Sarah all my wearing apparel  
which may be on hand at my decease.

And I do hereby make and ordain my last  
will and testament. In witness whereof I

Sophy Ann Kick the testatrix have to this  
my last will and testament written on two  
sheets of paper set my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup>  
day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred and twenty six.

Sophy Ann Kick <sup>Seal</sup>  
Signed sealed published and declared in our  
presence by the above named Sophy Ann Kick  
as and for her last will and testament  
in the presence of us who have hereunto set  
undersigned our names as witnesses thereto in the  
presence of the testatrix and in the presence  
of each other

R. D. Byrom  
J. A. Graham

State of Tennessee

Coffey County, At a County Court began  
and held for Coffey County at the Court house  
in the town of Manchester on the 2<sup>d</sup> day  
of April 1866 the foregoing last will and  
testament of Sophy Ann Kick was produced  
to Court and proven by the oaths of James  
R. Graham one of the subscribing witnesses  
thereunto and ordered to be recorded which  
is accordingly done. Witness my hand at  
Pittsburg my home at  
Officer this 2<sup>d</sup> day of April 1866

Hiram Emerson Clerk

In the name of God Amen.

I doth thank of Coffey County and  
State of Tennessee becoming old and infirm  
but being of sound mind and disposing memory  
my for so long & trust God and calling  
to mind the uncertainty of life and being  
desirous to dispose of all my worldly substance  
that has pleased him to bestow unto me, my  
will and wish is this when it pleases God to  
take me from this world that my body shall  
be interred in the earth in a decent and  
Christian like manner.

First I give and bequeath unto my

beloved wife Sarah Short a decent sup-  
port during her natural life or widow hood  
also one bed and furniture and to choose  
a home where she pleases.

3d I want all my just debts paid  
true I may owe as much as obtained or  
penitentiable property sold and money col-  
lected. My wife and wife is for my  
Cattle sheep and hogs to be sold as soon  
as our bar attended to, also my house-  
hold and kitchen furniture after crops  
are gathered. My wife and wife is  
for all my lands to be sold on one  
two and three years credit. My horses  
and mule and farming utensils are your  
Cordial

4d I give and bequeath to Alpha  
Fricker my daughter if living if not  
her children two hundred dollars and

also I give to my daughter Emma Musick  
Children two hundred dollars & also

give unto my daughter Linda Yell if  
living if not her children two hundred  
dollars. Also I give unto my daughter  
Isaac Hall if living if not to her children  
two hundred dollars. Also I give unto my  
daughter Leah Musick Children one hundred  
dollars. Also I give unto my daughter  
Jabette Anthony if living if not her  
children one hundred dollars. Also I give  
unto my daughter Helen Nichols if

living if not her children two hundred  
dollars. Also I give my son Joseph

J. A. Short Six hundred dollars which  
is his share Also I give to my daughter

C. olive Short if living if not her children  
three of her own notes the last three, Also

I give to my son J.A. Short Children two  
hundred dollars. Also I give unto my

C. A. Short three hundred dollars and what  
may remain if any wish to be divided  
among all my children if living if not

this children I appoint by his consent  
Amye Anthony my executors to this my last  
will and testament this my 1<sup>st</sup> day of May  
1866

J. D. Campbell

B. D. Campbell

J. D. Campbell

State of Peninsular

Coffee County

At a County Court or  
gavel and held for Coffee County, at the Courthouse  
in the town of Manchester on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May  
1866 the foregoing last will and testament  
of Jacob Stark deceased was presented to court  
by Amye Anthony, the executor herein named  
and proven by the oaths of J. Campbell B. D.  
Campbell and J. D. Campbell the subscribers,  
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which  
is according to done this day of May 1866

Chas. S. Emerson Clerk

¶ Lewis Harris of the County of Coffee  
and State of Peninsular do make and publish  
this my last will and testament hereby re-  
stating and making void all former wills  
by me at any time made.

1st I wish that my funeral expenses and  
just debts to paid out of the sum money  
that may come into the hands

2d I will and bequeath to wife Sarah  
Harris during her natural life all my es-  
tate I may die possessed of or left my es-  
tate should deem it necessary to pay my  
indebtedness by money due for the purpose the  
following property by one year old Cattle  
one set of Blacksmith tools (vice excepted) one  
Buggy and Harness, if necessary one wherry  
furniture and Drapery of the old Cattle Barn

3d I appoint my brother Wm H. Harris exec-  
utor of this my last will and testament  
In witness whereof I Lewis Harris

my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1864

Lewis Harris <sup>Seal</sup>

Legible reader and published in the presence  
of we who have subscribed in the presence  
of the testator and in the presence of each  
other

G.S. High

Anderson Lawyer  
State of Pennsylvania

Coffee County, At a County Court be-  
fore me and held for Coffee County at the Court  
house in the town of Manchester in the 6<sup>th</sup>  
day of May 1867 the foregoing last will  
and testament of Lewis Harris deceased  
was produced to Court by Mr. H. Harris the  
Executor and proven by the oaths of Edmund  
Lambeth one of the subscribing Testators  
and ordered to be sealed which is  
according to done witness my hand at  
office this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1867

Norman S. Emerson Clerk

State of Pennsylvania Coffee County October 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

I Charles Haly do make and publish this  
my last will and testament, hereby revoking  
and revoking void all other wills by me at  
any time made

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that my son Charles  
Mountain Haly shall have my homestead of  
seventy five acres of land more or less to him  
to take charge of my family and keep  
them so long as the children remains with him  
or until they become of age, also to take care  
of my widow as long as she lives or remains  
a widow.

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct that in case Charles  
Mountain Haly die before my wife the  
widow shall have full care and charge  
so long as she remains a widow

In writing whereof I have set my hand  
and seal

O.W. Townsend <sup>Seal</sup>  
A.C. Garrett <sup>Seal</sup>  
State of Pennsylvania

Charles Haly <sup>Seal</sup>

Coffee County Court began  
and held for Coffee County at the Court house  
in the town of Manchester on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May  
1875 the foregoing last will and testament of  
Charles Haly deceased were produced to Court  
and proven by the oaths of O.W. Townsend and  
A.C. Garrett Subscribing witnesses and ordered  
to be recorded which is accordingly done

Witness James Marshall Clerk of said Court at office  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1875

James Marshall Clerk

May the 10<sup>th</sup> 1867,

I Moses Haly of sound mind but much  
debilitated in health body in preparing to  
return my body to mother earth and my  
soul to God let me say it is my will and  
intention this my last will and testament  
being nowing and making void all others  
made by me at any time made.

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct that my body be decently  
interred and my funeral expenses be paid  
out of my valuable goods after my death

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct that my beloved wife  
shall have two dozen of Red estate including  
the mansion house including my share of  
the other out building beginning at the Bluff  
at the Stables ending the Branch and running  
with the meadow fence as it now stands to  
the slaughter pen so as to include the meadow  
on the side down hence south with the  
meandering of the branch to the mouth of  
the land there east with my south boundary  
line to the South West corner of the meadow  
fence same North with the fence

North of said fence giving her said fence to the corner of the Apple orchard fence as it now stands to the north east corner of said fence, thence west with said fence to the north west corner, thence south to the boundary of the yard. Then west with said No. 1 boundary to the land including the buildings belonging unto it at the beginning. It is expressly understood that all the fences named in the within clause are pasture lands fences and shall be kept out of the timber on my wife's back of land, and open to fair room for the benefit of the down and shall not be bound or hindered by any person whatever.

3<sup>rd</sup> & direct and set apart to my beloved daughter Margaret E. Williams also the land west of the extreme right of the ridge by my right of the down: beginning at a stake on the top of said ridge in the south boundary line of Mrs. Tillman's land thence south with the extreme right of said ridge to the south boundary line of the back orchard, thence west with said fence as it now stands and will the land to yesterdays paper of John H. Williams wife as they now stand. Thence south west through the grass lot giving a space of 30 feet between his lots and the fence thence with the meanderings of the branch as it now runs to the hill down fence the lands west of said lines are set apart to Margaret E. Williams and her heirs.

4<sup>th</sup> & direct and bequeath and set apart to my beloved son James A. Clark the following described tract of land, to begin at the stake before mentioned in the south boundary line of Mrs. Tillman's lands thence south with the east boundary line of Margaret E. Williams lot of land unto it different calls and courses to the meadow thence east and north with the north and

west boundary of the Rye pasture field, thence south with said line to the south boundary line of the original tract thence east and north and west to the beginning so as to include all the land which I have or hold in said boundary. It is expressly understood that the down is also bequeathed and set apart to my son James A. Clark at the due of my wife except the meadow and it falls to Margaret E. Williams all and every part of it for her proper use and benefit. The line already described in said down, he is also to have free access to the Spring and shall not be impeded of the privilege forever.

5<sup>th</sup> & direct my personal property shall be equally divided. In witness whereof I set my hand and seal the day and date above written.

Attest,

Wm. H. Clark

Lucinda A. Clark

State of Tennessee

Coffee County,  On a卷 - Court began and sat for Coffee County at the courthouse in the town of Waukon on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1867 at forenoon. One and our testam of Wm. H. Clark deceased was produced to Court and proven by the wife of Wm. H. Clark one of the subscribers witness whereof and ordered to be record which is accordingly done.

Witness my hand at office the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1867

Nelson S. Emerson Clerk

I do, C. Clark of the County of Coffee and State of Tennessee of sound and disposing mind but being fable in body by indisposition and knowing it is appointed unto me and to die. I do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament not having any other, testify:

1<sup>st</sup> I desire that as soon after my death as possible that all my debts be paid out of my personalty that I may die quiet and profited of.

2<sup>d</sup> The remainder of such property to remain in the hands of my mother Sarah Green for her sole use and benefit and disposal.

3<sup>d</sup> All my real estate I leave in the proportion of my parents Robert H and Sarah Green for their special uses and benefits for and during their natural lives, and after their deaths I desire that my said lands be sold to the highest bidder or one, and the sums so sold with exception of an amount sufficient to pay expenses to be paid in cash, the remainder to be secured by bond and approved security as well as lies to be retained in the lands until paid for and then sold out to be equally divided between my sister Elizabeth Aycox, Mary Ann Blanton, Martha C Green and Sarah W Green and their heirs in right of the mother having paid to the children of my deceased sister Anna William twenty five dollars each.

Having made the foregoing dispositions of my worldly substance, I do now appoint my friend Mr. W. H. Foster of Bedford County, my executor to carry out this my will, and desire him to qualify as such. On listening where I humbly subscribe my name and affix my seal in the presence of Willis Blanton and W.C.N. Foster my subscribers witness the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 1867

Attest Willis Blanton  
W.C.N. Foster  
State of Tennessee

Coffee County At a County Court  
began and held for Coffee County at the  
Court house in the town of Manchester on the  
22<sup>nd</sup> day of December 1867 In the foregoing last  
will and testament of John C Green deceased

John C. Green Seal

was produced to Court and proven by two  
outs of W.C.N. Foster, one of the subscribing wit-  
nesses thereto and sworn to be recited which  
is accordingly done witness my hand at Office  
the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 1867

Horace S. Emerson Clerk

I John Weston of the State of Tennessee Coffey  
County being of sound mind and dispos-  
ing memory do hereby make ordain and  
publish this my last will and testament hereby  
proclaiming and making void all other wills by  
me at any time made.

1<sup>d</sup> I will and bequeath to my son James  
and James' wife, black wpp. head of land  
lying in Hutton's Cove, Trinity County, the  
land from my son James' main line or Boundary  
on the N.E. & E. James' line on the West to  
Jep's Notch, on the Bank of William Creek, about  
One hundred and seventeen or eight acres  
up to the Equally divided between them

2<sup>d</sup> In as much as I have already given  
to my son ~~father~~ five hundred and five  
dollars which I allow to balance against  
the above

3<sup>d</sup> I will and bequeath to my son  
Willie the tract of land he now lives on  
beginning at the North by Ormondoe Spring and  
John Charles, on the south by Isaac Charles  
and J. Anderson on the East by J. Anderson  
in the boundary by the Victoria Avenue down  
I bequeath my interest to Willie also.

4<sup>d</sup> I will and bequeath to my son George  
sixty acres more or less Beginning at the line  
just as the head of the old Branch running down  
the Branch to the Creek the dover the Creek  
opposite the first house North of the gate  
thirty eight rods to its close the River back  
thence to John Charles East boundary line thence  
with Charles line around to Hale Meadow

thence with meadow line to the beginning  
of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and bequeath to my beloved  
wife Delphra and my two sons Woodville  
and Gilbert the balance of my homestead  
of land on which I now live to be equally  
divided between them in valuation when  
necessary. Also I want my wife Delphra  
to have full choice may out of the horses stock  
also choice mire car and step. I want  
Woodville and Gilbert to have the horses which  
they now claim also a horse apiece.

I want Delphra and Woodville and Gilbert  
to have the remainder of the cattle, hens, turkeys  
pigs except a colt which Jack Colored is to  
raise also a heifer Calf. I want Delphra  
and the two little boys Woodville and Gilbert  
to have all the house hold and kitchen furni-  
ture, a team wagon farming tools and  
grain, Also I want Woodville and Gilbert  
to have their time also I want them to have  
the Blacksmith tools.

6<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my two daughters  
Elizabeth meadows and Martha Phillips five  
dollars to each in gold.

7<sup>th</sup> I appoint O. H. Cook my executors  
to carry out this will this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1867

Attest  
John Winters  
John Charles

State of Pennsylvania

At a County Court be-  
ing held for Coffey  
County at the Court house in the town of  
Manchester on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 1868 the  
foregoing last will and testament of Mrs.  
Winters was produced to Court by Jas. H.  
Cook and John Charles the Subscribing witness  
Testator and ordered to be recorded which  
is accordingly done.

Witness my hand at office this 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 1868  
Hiram & Emma Clark

I know all man by these presents that I David  
Date being of sound mind and at this time  
in my proper senses make this my last will  
testament

I will and bequeath to my wife Sarah  
Date all my property of every kind consisting  
of household and kitchen furniture forming  
implements of all kinds wagon horses cattle  
hogs and sheep and all other property that I  
possess during her life time or widowhood in  
which time it is my will that the property  
be equally divided between my children pro-  
vided that my daughter Woodville Date should  
have one side saddle that I purchased for her  
extra that is more than any other one of my  
children.

I also will that should my son A. S. Date  
remain with my wife Sarah Date Testifying  
as of and proceeding for the family in  
her death or the marriage that he shall be  
allowed reasonable pay out of the effects of  
his labor before the division so his is to be  
equal between all my children until the  
exception of his above named exception. This  
is to be my last will proceeding that my  
wife Sarah Date pay all my debts of my  
children pay them in case of her death or  
marriage before any division of property  
of his the second day of August in  
the year of our Lord 1867

Attest  
Jas. H. Miller  
Hiram Austin

David Date

State of Pennsylvania  
Coffey County At a County Court began  
and held for Coffey County at the Court house  
in the town of Manchester on the 22<sup>d</sup> day of  
December 1867 the foregoing last will and  
testament of David Date deceased was pre-  
sented to Court and proven by the oaths  
of Joseph G. Miller one of the Subscribing

Hitherto chancery and ordered to be recorded  
which is accordingly done

Witness my hand at office this 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 1868 —

A. H. Harris & C. C. C. Clerk

In the name of God Amun

I, Samuel Brown of  
the County of Coffey and State of Kansas being  
here old and weak of body but of sound  
and disposing mind, and memory do  
solemnly declare this to be my last will  
and testament.

1<sup>st</sup> Art in my will above me daughter  
Pauline should inherit at my death all  
my personal property of which I may die  
possessed.

2<sup>nd</sup> Art in my will above my daughter  
Pauline should inherit the lots and houses  
I now live containing two acres bought of  
Wm C. Davis also that she should inherit  
the two lots adjoining said lot one contain-  
ing half acre and the other containing  
two acres bought of the administrators  
of the estate of Wm C. Davis said lots all  
lying in the town site of Tullahoma  
in the County of Coffey.

3<sup>rd</sup> It is my will that my dear wife  
Lucina Brown should have all my dead  
two lots adjoining the lots of Benjamin  
Allen on the east side of N.W.C.R.R.  
in the town of Tullahoma which lots  
are now unimproved but are to be im-  
proved by me if life lasts.

After my death it is my desire  
that my daughter Pauline should take care  
of her mother and that they should  
live together but if it should so result  
that my wife prefers to do so it is my  
will that she should have the said lots  
left mentioned as an independent home.

for himself entirely at his disposal  
I hereby request C. O. P. B. Anderson of the  
town of Tullahoma to act as the executor  
of this my last will and testament and that  
he be excused from giving security for the  
execution of said trust before he begins  
by me. In testimony whereof I have caused  
to set my hand and seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day  
of July 1868

Signed sealed and  
acknowledged in presence  
of me,

G. F. Hart  
C. S. Harris

S. M. Brown Seal  
July 1868

Date of Signature

Coffey County, Kans At a County Court began  
and held for Coffey County at the Court  
house in the town of Manchester on the 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of October 1868 the foregoing, this  
witnessed by the testator of Samuel Brown deceased  
was produced in Court and sworn by  
the oath of G. F. Hart one of the subscribing  
witnesses thereto and is to be recorded  
which is according to law.

Witness my hand at office this 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of January, 1868 —

A. H. Harris & C. C. C. Clerk

I, Wilson Norton do this day make  
and publish this my last will and testa-  
ment hereby reciting, and making void  
all other wills by me at any time made.

1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved  
wife Lucina P. Norton my tract of land on  
which I now live and all my stock of  
every kind together with all my personal  
property of every description and all debts  
due to me of every kind for and during  
her natural life and at her death and descend  
the property both the land and personal

property to be divided equally among  
the children namely Robert, Nathaniel  
Albert, Madison, Hollister, Ann Thomas  
Julia Alvin, Salvatore Charles Grandson  
and Harriet Aminta.

Sir I do after my decease my  
executors or administrators to sell or otherwise  
of the personal property if it should be  
necessary to pay my just debts and  
funeral expenses last if it should  
become necessary to sell any to clear  
the property that the family can bear  
spare.

Lastly I nominate and appoint my  
dear wife Berlin & Norton the exec-  
utor to this my last will and testament  
as testimony whereof Nelson Norton  
has counterset my hand and seal  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1859.

Nelson Norton Seal  
The above named Nelson Norton was  
signed in our presence and we have  
here subscribed our names in the presence  
of the testator at his request this 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of July 1859.

Silas A. Robinson  
Hugh R. Canthar

State of New Hampshire  
Coffey County At a County Court  
begun and held for Coffey County at the  
Court House in the town of Manchester  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1867 the per-  
sonal last will and testament of Nelson  
Norton was produced to Court and proven  
by the oaths of Hugh R. Canthar and Silas  
A. Robinson the subscribing witnesses thereto  
and ordered to be recorded which is  
accordingly done.

This the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 1868  
Harold S. Conner Esq.

A Will and Testament  
I Sarah Spaulding do make and publish  
this as my last will and testament  
hereby revoking and making void all  
other wills by me at any time made.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that my funeral expe-  
nses and all my debts be paid as soon  
after my death as possible out of any  
money that I may die possessed of which  
may first and best ch. handle of my  
estate.

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter  
Lizzie Sabrina Pease and her heirs all  
my lands and other property in condition  
that the said Sabrina Pease and her heirs  
take care of and provide for me and my  
daughter Lizzie Spaulding during our nat-  
ural lives.

I do hereby nominate and appoint  
David Scott my executor in acting  
whatever I do in this my will set my hand  
upon and this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1868

Signed Sealed and  
published in our pres-  
ence and we have  
subscribed our names  
unto it in the presence of  
the testator this the 25<sup>th</sup>  
day of January in the  
year of our Lord 1868

N. W. Nelson  
John Mary

State of New Hampshire  
Coffey County At a County Court be-  
gun and held for Coffey County at the Court  
House in the town of Manchester on the 7<sup>th</sup>  
day of April 1868 the foregoing last will and  
testament of Sarah Spaulding deceased was  
produced to Court and proven by the oaths of  
A. M. Nelson and Mrs Mary the undersigned wit-  
ness thereto and ordered to be recorded.

which is accordingly done. Witness  
my hand at office this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April  
1868.

John S. Duncan Clerk

State of Pennsylvania

Coffee County, December 29<sup>th</sup> 1868

I John H. Carpenter do make  
and publicly declare my last will and  
testament hereby revoking and making  
void all other wills by me at any  
time made.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that all my funeral  
expenses towards covering all my debts to  
paid as soon after my death as possible  
out of my money then owing me  
proportionately as may first come  
into the hands of my executors.

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct that my lands and  
my personal property be sold in a  
convenient time & the proceeds  
to be divided as follows:

3<sup>rd</sup> I direct that Margaret M.  
Mosley and Mary & Abby C. paid the  
sum of Fifty dollars each for their services  
in waiting on me and my wife through  
our sickness.

4<sup>th</sup> I direct that Elizabeth &  
Smith & Mr. & Carpenter the Carpenter  
Margaret M. Mosley, Abby & Abby and  
Sarah Ann Farmer two children named  
John McPhee, Mary Louise Price shall  
have the balance of the money coming  
from the proceeds of the sale of my prop-  
erty to be equally divided.

5<sup>th</sup> I do hereby nominate and ap-  
point Joseph S. my executor  
in witness whereof I do to this my will  
set my hand and seal this day and  
date above written.

John H. Carpenter (Signed)  
W.M.C.

Signed sealed and published in our pres-  
ence and we have subscribed our names  
hereunto in the presence of the testator above  
and date above written.

H. H. McCay  
Simpson Clerk

State of Pennsylvania

Coffee County, at a County Court to  
begin and held for Coffey County at the Court  
house in the town of Monchanin on the  
1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1869 for giving  
last will and testament of John Carpenter  
deceased who produced to Court and  
sworn by the oaths of H. H. McCay and  
Simpson Clerk the Testimony Interven-  
tions and evidence to be recorded which  
is according to law.

Whereas it has been so agreed this 1<sup>st</sup>  
day of January 1869

John S. Duncan Clerk

In the name of God Amen

I H. H. Duncan of the County of Coffee  
and State of Pennsylvania being of sound  
mind, memory and understanding having  
the certainty of death and the uncertainty  
of the time thereof and being desirous of  
settling and adjusting my worldly af-  
fairs before it should please almighty God  
to call me hence do make and publish  
this my last will and testament

1<sup>st</sup> Mary Ann Margaret I leave my  
oldest daughter and Nancy Elizabeth  
Dyer my third daughter Sarah Hart  
Iquith my youngest daughter have each  
had their parts

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my oldest  
and youngest sons J. H. Duncan and  
Adam S. Duncan the tract of land  
where I now live containing by dimensions

Six hundred and forty acres more or less and lying on the waters of the Berlin Fork of Duck River and Holly Pond. The line between them to begin south of the spring where H.H.C. Duncan now lives in the centre of the tract where the road now crosses leading from H.H.C. Duncan to Groves Pond Meeting House and running with said road in north east direction to where H.H.C. Duncan fence now stands turned due east to the east boundary line of the aforementioned tract of land. Then starting at the beginning and running south with the boundaries of the said tract so far as to pass the <sup>northern</sup> fence H.H.C. Duncan fence where it now stands, then west to where the road now runs leading from my house to the Meeting place and in a southerly direction with said road to the south west corner of the fence where it now stands. Then west with the west boundary line of the aforesaid tract of land this line to be moved from the corner of the last named fence so as to give each an equal number of acres. H.H.C. Duncan my oldest son to have the north half - Adam W.W. Duncan the south half.

3<sup>rd</sup> It is my desire and my request that my two sons H.H.C. and Adam W.W. Duncan will act as my guardians to my wife and daughters Cynthia Rydell and Abigail and should their mother from age or otherwise become so infirm or infirmary in body or mind as to not be qualified to do and transact business or to have intellect all things to be carried out by her wife Cynthia for her and the above named Cynthia Rydell and Abigail.

4<sup>th</sup> The streets and other property that

I may have at my death, I leave in the hands of my wife and my two sons H.H.C. and Adam W.W. Duncan my land and my wife Cynthia Rydell and Abigail to have the privilege of living in the house where I now live and to have the privilege she has always had during her widowhood.

Lived under my hand and seal this August 13<sup>rd</sup> 1868.  
I acknowledge in the presence of

C. C. Emery,  
L.S. Duncan

H. H. C. Duncan  
Signed Sealed  
C. C. Emery L.S. Duncan

State of Tennessee

Coffey County, I, H. A. County Court do give and testify for Coffey County at the Court house in the town of Manchester on the day of 1869 the foregoing last will and testament of H. H. C. Duncan deceased was produced to Court and proven by the oaths of C. C. Emery and L. S. Duncan the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which is according to law done witness my hand at Office this day of  
1869

Attest H. A. Emerson P.D.

State of Tennessee

Coffey County, Decr 20<sup>th</sup> 1869  
On the word of God Amen

C. Levy D. Bear being of sound mind and memory, and understanding and inspired with the great uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being desirous to dispose of my temporal affairs so that after my death no contention may arise relative to the same

C. Levy D. Bear do make and publish this my last will and testament

1<sup>st</sup> I bequeath my body to the divine service it caning and enjoining to ~~the Lord~~  
who gave it, hoping for happy immorality through the atonement made by our  
Lord Jesus Christ the Saviour of the World.

2<sup>nd</sup> That all my just debts be paid  
out of my personal and Real Estate by  
my executors.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my  
beloved wife Lucinda Bean Extended  
of time for her lifetime, during which  
all my property both Real and Personal  
consisting of my houses and lots in the  
town of Atchison Kansas with all other  
furniture & effects together with all my  
personal property to her and to her  
the sum of \$1000.00 and all benefit and  
support during her natural life, also  
any and all kinds of property both  
real and personal she may be so  
desirous to have dealt with the right  
and occasion of selling and disposing  
of said property either herself or personally  
in any manner than she may think  
proper for the support and benefit  
of the & class here after her death.

That a tract of land remain of Real or  
Personal property to be equally divi-  
ded between my legal heirs provided they  
shall apply within three months after  
being notified of her lucinda Beans  
death.

Should the application not be  
made within the time above prescribed  
by my said heirs, then and in that case  
I direct and desire that proceeds of  
said property shall be added to the Con-  
nexion school fund of the State of Kansas.

Lastly I appoint my wife Lucinda  
Bean my whole and sole executrix to  
this my will and testament and direct  
that her security be required for the

faithful execution and discharge of the  
trust hereby imposed in her.

In testifying where & that this 3<sup>d</sup> day  
of August 1839 set my hand and seal  
and in the presence of

B. W. Clegg

C. H. Hartford

Henry D. Bean Esq.<sup>Proct</sup>

State of Kansas

Coffee County On a County Court be-  
fore and held for Coffey County by the Court  
house in the town of Moundville on the 3<sup>d</sup>  
day of July 1839 the foregoing last will  
and testament of Henry D. Bean deceased was  
produced to Court by Lucinda Bean the ex-  
ecutrix named and proven by the  
book of C. H. Hartford one of the subscribing  
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded  
which is done according to law.

Witness my hand & office this 10<sup>th</sup>  
day of July 1839

William A. Emerson P.

I desire my wife to make and  
partake of this my last will and testa-  
ment notwithstanding her marriage and ac-  
tually be wed at any time made.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that my funeral expenses  
and all my debts be paid as soon after  
my death as possible out of my money  
and I may die possessed, or if I may first  
come in to the hands of my executors

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct that should I die leaving  
a widow true to her during her lifetime  
or widowhood shall be left all my Real  
Estate for her to hold and manage and  
cultivate the same so may not a support  
but not to be sold or transferred by her  
nor be subject for any debts that  
she may incur.

3<sup>rd</sup> I direct that if other opinion

this should be more personal property  
which is necessary for him to keep and  
hold the surplus to sell by my  
executors to the highest bidder first  
allowing him to select such property as  
he may think essential to his welfare  
the proceeds to be equally divided  
among my children.

Mr. Shadwell also leaving his widow  
a direct sum and my property - both  
real and personal shall be sold im-  
mediately after my death to the highest  
bidder the least bidder to be excluded  
and one and two years with  
equal payment each year and opposed  
sums - and retaining him in hand  
until the balance money or sum is paid

of the personal property - then all the  
real personal property - shall be sold and  
a period of twelve months with interest  
expired - summing

Kathy I do hereby nominate and  
choose P. Williamson, Esq. & H. Chapman  
my executors. I direct that they shall  
be vested with power to sell and dispose  
of my estate both real and personal as  
set forth in the my last will and testa-  
ment. And I direct that a deed of  
benefit given to them be my Head Estate  
it will be called and agreed and suffi-  
cient title to the purchase his heirs  
or assigns against the claims of any  
other person. I further direct that  
my executors shall promptly collect  
and pay over to my heirs all money  
coming into their hands belonging to  
my estate. I direct and give to my  
executors three years from the time  
they enter upon the executorship to make  
and settle the business of the estate and  
pay over to the heirs of the same.

I further direct this to my executors

a reasonable compensation out of the  
proceeds of my estate for which there to be made  
expenses in attending to the business of  
the same - I also propose and desire that  
two or three disinterested men chosen by  
the executors have either their way  
or present to determine and see how  
much the said executors may have for  
their services - I will do nothing & take  
to this my wife set in home and seal  
the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 1860

Laura Weston and John H.  
in our presence and to have  
subscribed our names hereto  
in the presence of the witness

the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 1860

J. B. Miller, Esq.

Sophia Weston

Anna Weston

State of Tennessee

Cape Canaveral Court House began  
and held per Capta Court at the beginning  
of the term of J. G. Weller on the 1<sup>st</sup> day  
of June 1860. H. Chapman Esq. and A. C. Miller  
Chapman the executors herein in the  
presence of last will and testament  
of Nathan Howard the executors the same  
to be copied which was given to the court  
of Small Claims, Cape Canaveral, Florida  
Gilly Books writing witness thereto and  
ordered to be recorded a copy is ac-  
cordingly done.

Gilly Books witness as before the 10<sup>th</sup>  
day of June 1860

Nathan S. Howard, Esq.

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I make Statute of the County of Cape  
Canaveral State of Tennessee do make and declare  
by this my last will and testament  
fully revoking and repealing all  
former wills of mine at any time before my

4<sup>th</sup> I direct that my body be decently buried at Buck Creek in said County in a manner suitable to my condition as life and as becomes wholly estate as it has pleased God intimated me with, dispose of the same as follows

5<sup>th</sup> I desire that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of any money I may be possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my executors from among the rest of my estate Real & Personal.

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved son Nathan one half of all the money etc. may be left in the hands of my executors after all just debts are satisfied.

7<sup>th</sup> I direct that my property Real and Personal all of it be sold the land to be sold in one and two years besides my land and two good and approved men they to be given by processions

8<sup>th</sup> I direct that a law be enacted on the said land until the purchaser money or age full paid. I further direct that my executors sell over my personal estate or whatever and punishable property and effects that I have or will be leaving. My horses or horses cattle hogs and such property, my gear and all my house hold and kitchen furnished to go to with farming utensils and the like growing and that that is harvested if necessary, all on a twelve months credit the purchaser to give bond with good & sufficient security before the property is removed out of the hands of the executors

9<sup>th</sup> I direct that all the property and money be left in the hands of the executors to sell as above directed, and one half of all the money that shall may

be left after satisfying and paying all expenses to be given to my grand daughter William Harrison the balance of the money after paying all expenses as above directed one third of what remains to be left to be given to my daughter Anna Hart and the other third to my daughter Emily and the other third given to Henry Harrison which will constitute the other third of my estate after giving William & one half of the residue amount thereby remaining are distributed between Anna and cutting the one half to each part of them at discretion that the remainder he give a man his wife

I do further make and give my last will and testament to my wife Mary <sup>etc</sup> of this my last will and testament the whole of the residue of my estate together with my house and lands with all rights and credits and all my property & effects whatsoever in his hands until he shall have paid him to mind in all the business of the money and property that William will go to remain in the house if he is so inclined he will be set free by the time of day being by one year old, & debt, sickness or disability of her selfe to the end of

I am writing witness of this Will I have read testator has to this my wife written on one part of paper set by hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1869

Signed sealed and -

Published in our presence

and when here subscribed

before us the subscriber

The testator and the

presence of each other

Chest

W. S. C. A. S.

J. M. C. A. S.

Madie Hollister Seal

State of Minnesota  
Copper County, 3d a County Court  
was held for Copper County and  
Court house in the town of Marquette on  
the day of 1869. The foregoing  
last will and testament of Mathias  
was produced by Moses McCaig the execu-  
tive witness and sworn by the oaths  
of H. S. Cox and J. McCaig the subscribing  
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded  
which is according to law.

Witness my hand at office this 23<sup>d</sup> day  
of September 1869. Alvin S. Emerson Clerk

I, William Anderson being of sound  
disposition mind and memory do hereby  
make known and publish to this my last  
will and testament.

It is my will and desire that  
all the property of every kind and de-  
scription of which I may die designated  
for sale or in some manner acquired  
that personal or unreal money notwithstanding  
over the action to go to my sister Eliza  
Lewis Mackie to be placed in the hands  
of her trustee H. T. Mackie the trustee  
for her sole and separate use not subject  
to the debts contracts and liabilities of  
her said husband, to bring the same and  
thrifted to use it under and according  
to the laws of the State of Minnesota at  
the death of my sister the entire property  
be equally divided among the children  
she leave any.

Should she die leaving no issue  
then to my brother Joseph Anderson.

In testimony whereof I have here-  
unto set my hand and seal the 15<sup>d</sup>  
1869.

Signed sealed sealed  
in our presence.

day and year above

Witnesses

P. Turner  
R. Roberts  
H. D. George  
Wright Pepple

State of Minnesota

Copper County, 3d a County Court began  
and held for Copper County at the Court house  
in the town of Marquette on the 1st day  
of January 1869. The foregoing last will and testament  
of William Anderson deceased was read  
over to the court and sworn to be the last will  
of Helen Turner, one of the subscribers, with  
which witness thereto came to be read in witness  
of according to law.

Witness my hand at office this 20<sup>d</sup> day  
of December 1869.

Alvin S. Emerson Clerk

I, W. F. Shultz of the City of Copper  
and State of Minnesota a sound mind  
and disposing memory but in view  
of the uncertainty of human life and  
certainty of death do hereby make and  
publish this my last will and testament

I give and bequeath you as a specific bequest  
to my beloved wife Martha Shultz for and  
during the term of her natural life my  
tract of land on which I now live lying  
in the 4<sup>th</sup> civil district of Copper County  
and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a corner point on the  
North bank of St. Peter's River 10 or 11  
poles running south 65 degrees west  
16 poles to a bluffs, then south 80 degrees  
21 poles to a point then south 66 degrees  
West 4 poles and 23 links to another  
then south 11 1/4 degrees east 24 poles  
and 14 links to a dogwood and bush

then 00 $\frac{1}{4}$  degrees west 30 poles to a Beach, then South 44 degrees west 39 poles 10 links to a Black beam at Turner's Corner, then South 38 $\frac{1}{4}$  degrees west 30, then South 50 degrees west 51 poles 28 links to a wooden post for a corner between Turnerville and this tract, then North 28 degrees west along the road 22 poles then North 11 poles to a stake marked with an X on said road, then North 45 $\frac{1}{4}$  degrees 14 poles and 17 links to a Beach then North 18 degrees east 22 poles 23 links to a stake, then North 30 degrees west 26 poles to a stone bank in the head of a hollow, then North 47 degrees east 21 poles 11 links to a Beach in Turnerville with boundary lines, then east poles to a large black beam & Turnerville Corner then North 19 degrees east 60 poles 27 links to a stake in the South 47 poles given to a ~~man~~ man 34 poles 14 links to a degree, then North 14 poles to a Beach then South 77 degrees east 40 poles 16 links to a stake on the bank of the Branch at Walls then up the meanderings of said branch to a buckey & saw house and a ~~factory~~ factory and six willows on the west bank of said Branch then South 77 $\frac{1}{4}$  degrees East 15 poles 3 links to a factory ~~the~~ south 5 $\frac{1}{4}$  poles to Beach at the fence thus west 18 poles 10 links to a stake then South 17 poles 13 links to the beginning containing 97 acres and 68 poles.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give as a special bequest to my beloved wife Martha Shellen all my personal property except so much as may be required to furnish paying my debts after selling my interest in the lands of my father's estate and applying the proceeds to the same.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I desire the remainder of my property both real and personal to be sold for cash or in a way as my executors may think best till the proceeds applied first in the payment of my funeral expenses and all my just debts and the remainder if any to be distributed among my heirs at law according to the laws of Pennsylvania.

I hereby constitute and appoint my son James Shellen the executor of this my last will and testament, signed and acknowledged in our presence 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1869 - Wm. H. Shellen  
H. A. Shellen  
J. H. Shellen  
S. W. Shellen

### State of Pennsylvania

Coffee County <sup>¶</sup> ¶¶ a County Court being held for Upper County at the Court House in the town of Mansfield on the day of Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1869 the foregoing last named testator Wm. H. Shellen was produced to Court by his Executor the said Wm. H. Shellen and sworn by the parties of Mr. & Mrs. John & H. P. Parker the parties being citizens thereof and ordered to be examined which it appearing by done witness my hand at Coffees this 2d day of December 1869

Adams S. Emerson Clerk

I do hereby I disclaim all marks and execute this my last will and testament revoking and superseding void all other wills by me at any time made.

1<sup>st</sup> It is my will and desire that my executor pay all my just debts out of the first money come into his hands

2<sup>nd</sup> That my executor as early as practicable after my death sell and