

from the fact of my estate being shuttled so much
by the war and as my wife Mrs Mary A. Gause has
the management of my estate I leave the matter with
her and my Executor to dispose of the best way they
can at all times having a regard to the education of my
two sons James Ezra & Thomas Richard cause the
letter I want educated for a longer

Dear 5th It is my wish that should my wife Mrs
Mary A. Gause in consideration with my Executor
deem it best at any time to sell the house and lot in Dyer
burg and buy elsewhere either a farm or lot I wish
them sold so or should my wife feel disposed to
have a division of the estate before her death she can
do so first taking into consideration the education
of my two sons above stated in Item 5th

Item 6th Should my wife have no division of my estate
during her life time then after her death I wish my Executor
to divide my estate between the following children viz
Martha G. Miller, Mary Alice Gause, Frederick B.
cause James Ezra and Thomas Richard cause
first taking into consideration the amount necessary
to complete the education of my two sons former
Ezra and Thomas Richard cause

Lastly I nominate and appoint my wife Mary
A. Gause and myself Jas. Gause my Executor
and Executor to the my last will and testament
being under my hand and seal the 1st day of
March A.D. One thousand eight hundred
and forty seven. Said sealed published and declared
to be the last will and testament of the testator in presence of
the subscribers.

Geo. W. Gause
El. Sugg

M. P. Sugg

State of Tennessee A.D. One thousand eight hundred and forty seven
County of Dyer August Term 1867
Before me this day a paper containing purporting to be the last will
and testament of George W. Gause was produced before me in open Court
and proven by the oaths of Jas. Gause & M. P. Sugg to be as it purports to be
the last will and testament of said George Gause. It is therefore ordered by
the Court that the same be accepted and admitted as the last will and testament
of said George Gause and that the same be recorded by the
clerk.

J. H. Wood & R. L. Beck

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Last Will and Testament of Anna Smith being sound in mind
of my Anna Smith and but feeble in body do make and
prove and establish at the publick this as my last will and
August Term 1867 of Dyer County Court first I direct that my
funeral expenses and all my other
expenses and all my debt be paid as soon
as my debts possible out of any money that I may die possessed
of. Secondly I give and bequeath to my two sisters Tabitha
Caroline and Elizabeth Woodbridge Smith my entire estate
both personal and real, lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint
Daniel E. Parker my Executor. In witness whereof I do
to this my will set my hand and seal - This the 15 day of
July 1867

S.C. Buckley

D. E. Parker

State of Tennessee August Term Dyer County Court 1867
County of Dyer This day a paper containing purporting to be
the last will and testament of my Anna Smith
which was produced here in open Court and there being no likelihood
of contest it was proven by the Oaths of D. E. Parker one of the
two subscribing witnesses to be as it purports to be the
last will and testament of said Anna Smith do I
therefore ordain by the Court that the same be set up
and established as the last will and testament of said Anna
Smith and that the same be recorded by the Clerk
Attest. J. H. Wood & R. L. Beck

Last will and testament

of I, Stephen D. Whitten
Stephen D. Whitten died in feeble health
Set up & established out of sound mind
August Term 1867 and memory do
of Dyer County Court hereby make and publish
this my last will and testament. 1st I command
my body to decent burial and my soul
to God who gave it.

2nd I will and bequeath to my beloved
wife Mary Whitten my house and lot
in the town of Dyerburg where I now

law to be hers for and during the term
of her natural life at her death to go
to my heirs at Law.

I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Whitter all my house hold and kitchen furniture including herein all my furniture carpets beds broadsides bedding Sewing machine tables Sofas Tatteau Cook Stove and utensils Clock Bath Case & Books (Excepting such books as were brought for the children and are known and recognized as their individual property) Side Saddle & Bridle including to include herein all the personal property with which my house is furnished.

I also give and bequeath to her my large gray horse named Frank that I advise her to sell Frank and if she needs a horse to obtain one of less value of It is my will that of my personal property not herein before bequeathed and remaining after the payment of my just debts One tenth $\frac{1}{10}$ hereof shall be paid to my Sister Mary Latta to the balance of my personal effects are to be divided into two equal shares one of which shares I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Whitter to be hers for and during the term of her natural life at her death to be divided equally between her two children Lucy E. Latta and Samuel Latta or to the survivor of them or in case of their death before their mother to go to my heirs at law but it is my express desire and will that the share thus given to my wife shall be paid to her without requiring her to give any bond or to be any way responsible for it to any one at her death.

To the other of the ten shares mentioned in

the above 5 clauses of my will I give and bequeath to my two Sons Masseller & James Whitter to be expended by their Guardian in their Education as far as it will go.

It is my will and desire that my true and tried friend Peter E. Wilson my partner in business in whom Integrity I have the utmost Confidence Should wind up our business either by selling my interest therein or buying it himself or closing it out otherwise and account to my Executor for my interest in said partnership.

Hastily I hereby nominate and appoint my friend S. Rosetta Executor of my last will and testament - witness my hand and seal 2nd day of July 1867

S. D. Whitter

Signed Sealed and published in our presence and in testifying thereof we have hereunto set our hands in presence of each other and of the testator July 3rd 1867

P. G. Danforth
W. C. Doyle
P. E. Wilson

State of Tennessee } August 3rd A.D. 1867
Dyer County } This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Stephen D. Whitter deceased was produced herein open Court and duly proven by the Oath of Peter E. Wilson W. C. Doyle two of the Subscribers witness who to be as it purports to be the last will and testament of said Stephen D. Whitter deceased. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same be set up and established as the last will and testament of said S. D. Whitter deceased and that the same be recorded by the Clerk Attest G. H. Develock

Last Will & Testament. I, A. J. Fullerton having
of A. J. Fullerton died make and publish this my
Set up September last will and testament
Year 1867 First let attorney just de-
be paid -

Second I give to my wife
Mary Ann Fullerton all my personal prop-
erty remaining after the payment of my
debts - Third I also give to my wife Mary
Ann Fullerton Twenty five acres of my
home place, the place where I now reside
including my dwelling together with all
the improvements about and the Spring - said
Twenty five acres is to be hers in fee and is
to be laid off as follows - Beginning at the
Southwest corner of the tract running
thence East so far as to take in the house
Spring and improvements - thence North
and West so as to include twenty five
acres - Fourth I give to the three daughters
of my deceased brother Hugh Fullerton
the balance of my home place say about thirty
(30) acres which will make them about 10 acres
apiece - Fifth I give and bequeath to my
nephew James A. Fullerton son of my
deceased brother Hugh Fullerton the tract of
land on the Ohio river known as the
ferry place; on the plank road

Sixth the tract of land purchased
by me a few days ago at Tay Sale situated
on the Ohio river and known as the
Snow tract I give and bequeath to Catherine
Taylor wife of Crawford Taylor and
to Cynthia Ann Duncan jointly - Lastly I
hereby nominate and appoint my wife Executor
of this my last will and testament - and hereby
expressly waive the necessity of her giving bond
as Executor - Witness my hand and seal this the 6th
day of August 1867 - Intended before repeat
A. J. Fullerton

Signed sealed and delivered in our presence
in testimony whereof we have hereunto set our
hands and seals in presence of each other
and the Testator this August 6th 1867

J. R. Latta
E. N. Verrier

State of Pennsylvania County Court September Term 1867
Wyoming County This day a paper writing purporting
to be the last will and testament of

A. J. Fullerton deed was produced here in open court
and duly proven by the oath of J. R. Latta & E. N. Verrier
the two subscribing witnesses thereto, to be as it purports
to be the last will and testament of A. J. Fullerton
deed It is therefore ordered by the court that
the same be set up and established as the last
will and testament of said Fullerton and that
that the same be recorded by the clerk and Mary
Ann Fullerton was duly sworn

Attest Joseph Bixler Clerk

Last Will & Testament I do make and consti-
of Joseph W. Cochrane County of Allegany and
Set up September Term State of Tennessee
1867 do make and consti-

tute the following to
be my last Will & Testament I shall
happen to die - that is to say I had the follow-
ing named brother and sisters some of whom
are now dead Benjamin F. Cochrane & by another
Dempsey or Nancy Turner Sarah J. Clem-
ents and Mary Ann Peeler - but as some
of them have not treated me well I am de-
sirous that whatever property and effects that
I may leave at my death after my just debts
unpaid shall be distributed as follows that
is I will and bequeath to my sister Nancy
all the land Town lots &c that I own in the
State of Tennessee and will and bequeath to
my sister Mary Ann Two hundred and twenty
acres of land on which B. M. Craman

now has a home and to my Niece little Mary Ann Seery I give and bequeath my Negroes and all that remains belonging to me both personal and real and I desire that when I shall happen to die that my Mercantile business be at once wound up - that there be no more goods purchased and the whole matter at once settled up.

Witness My hand and Seal this 10 day of November A.D. 1867

J.W. Echols *Seal*

State of Tennessee Dyer County April 13th 1867
 I J.W. Echols of said County and State being still living and of disposing mind do an account of certain changes in the disposition of my worldly effects after my death shall have happened - That is to say I, now wish to give and bequeath to my Niece Mary Ann Seery now Mary Ann Seery the House and lot that I lately purchased from Mr. C. Doyle - and my Negro woman named Eliza and all her children that she now has or may hereafter have - and to my Sister Mary Ann Seery I give and bequeath all my land and other Negro and personal effects of all and every kind that I own or possess in the State of Tennessee except as above stated - And my Sister Nancy Tammes her heirs and assigns all my property in Illinois as aforesaid stated in the within Testament.

Given under my hand and Seal

this date above written

Witness
W.M. Walker

B.D. Carter

"State" of Tennessee Dyer County
 June 5th 1867 I J.W. Echols do hereby authorize and empower my Sister Mary Ann Seery to execute and Administer my will estate without giving any security

Witness My hand and Seal the day and year
 June 5th 1867
 J.W. Echols *Seal*
 W.M. Walker

B.D. Carter

I still desire my Sister Mary Ann Seery to have all that I have above bequeathed to her and all the land I may since acquire and all personalties acquired before or since or that may accrue to me hereafter this 5th day of August 1867

J.W. Echols

Attest

W.M. Walker

State of Tennessee Dyer County Septem be rem 1867
 Dyer County This day a paper writing pur-
 porting to be the last will and

Testament of J.W. Echols *Seal* was produced before me open Court and duly proven by the oaths of W.M. Walker, B.D. Carter the two Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will to be as it respects to be the last will and Testament of said J.W. Echols *Seal*. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same be set up and established as the last will and Testa-
 ment of said J.W. Echols *Seal* and that the same be recorded by the Clerk Mrs. Seery was then duly qualified as Executrix of said Echols *Seal*

Attest

F. G. Carter Clerk

Last Will and Testament In the name of God Amen
of David Parrish deceased I David Parrish of the County of Rye
proven and subscribe and State of Tennessee being witness in body
Roof, term County Court 1867 but sound in mind do make this my
last will and testament hereby revoking
all others heretofore by me made - 1st I will my soul to
God who gave it and my body to the Mother Earth
2nd I desire my body to have a decent interment
3rd I wish my funeral and burial expenses together
with my last debts paid by my executors as soon
as practicable & having heretofore given to my children
Elias Parrish Mary Jane Miller Martha Brockman wife
A Parrish and Sally A. in Slacell I have provided
for them and settled them and 5 I give and bequeath
unto my beloved wife Maria Parrish the ^{one half} ~~other half~~
of all the property including lands and to my youngest
son James Bond Parrish the other half of my land
and perishable property and at my said wife's death I
will all to my said son James & including the half now
left my wife & and I will that my beloved wife
and son Elias Parrish be my executors and executors
to carry out and execute this my last will and testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal this 21st day of September 1866
Attest Thomas Miller D. Parrish (Signed)
J C Pate
N H Parrish

State of Tennessee County Court November term 1867
Dyer County This day a paper writing purporting
to be the Last Will and Testament of
David Parrish deceased was produced here in open
Court and duly proven by the oaths of Thomas
Miller and John C. Pate Subscribing witnesses to
the foregoing Will. It is therefore ordered by the Court that
the same be set up and established as the last will and
Testament of said David Parrish deceased and that
the same be record'd by the Clerk.

Attest Thos H. Benton Clerk

Last Will and Testament I Martha Brockman deceased
of Martha Brockman deceased publish this as my last
Will and set up Febry well and testament hereby revo-
cating and making void all other
wills by me at any time made
first I direct that my funeral expense
and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as
possible out of my money that I may still
possess of or may just come into the sum
of my executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to
Second Thomas Estate King I give my bed Stan-
bed 1 quilt and one coverlet & I bequeath to
Zyphra Alice my Saddle and quilt. Again
I give and bequeath to Zyphra King my Mother
my Wardrobe and three quilts. And after
this is done to divide equally between Thomas
Estate and Zyphra Alice all the remainder
of my estate whatever it may be lastly I do
nominate and appoint my executor friends Mr.
King In witness whereof I do this my last
will before hand and seal this the 27th of
Sept 1867

Sealed and published in open Court and
we have subscribed our names here to in the
presence of the testator this the 27th day of Sept 1867
Test. Nathan King J. A. Cline

State of Tennessee County Court Febry term 1868
Dyer County

This day a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of ~~Martha~~
The ~~Martha~~ Brockman deceased was produced here in open Court
and duly proven by the oaths of Nathan King
and J. A. Cline Subscribing witnesses thereto
to be as it purports to be the last will and
testament of said Martha Brockman
deceased. It is therefore ordered by the Court that
the same be set up and established as the last will and
testament of said Martha Brockman deceased and
the same be record'd by the Clerk - T. H. Benton Clerk

Last Will and Testament
of Asbury Freeman and
his wife established attorney
County Court 1868

State of Tennessee, County
of the name of Almighty God
I Asbury Freeman do make
this as my last will and
testament. I will that my

body shall be decently buried and after
my last debt shall be paid out of my
personal effects I want my beloved wife to
hold all in her hands until her death or marriage.
Should she marry again both land estate and at
her death or marriage the land is to be equally divided
between my beloved children James Freeman
and Nancy J. Freeman. I mean the home tract of
30 acres where we now live. 3rd And should
Nancy die I want my beloved daughter Anna
Freeman to have the land I last bought in the
place of the one I bought of her last fall
I hereby appoint P. C. Gedding my
Executor of this my last will and testament
this 27 day of July 1868.

Gethart Egart

Jasper Egart

A. M. Garrison

Asbury Freeman

State of Tennessee Dyer County Court Attorney term 1868
Dyer County,

This day a paper writing purporting
to be the last will and testament of Asbury
Freeman deceased was produced before open
Court on October proven by the oaths of Gethart
Egert and Robert W. Tenant Subscribing
witnesses thereto to be as it purports to be the
last will and testament of said Asbury Freeman
deceased. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the
same be set up and established as the last will
and testament of said Asbury Freeman and
that the same be recited by the Clerk

Attest

J. H. Burton Clerk

Last Will and Testament
of

J. J. Zimmerman deceased
Set up and established
March term County Court
1868

Dyer County Tennessee

July 15 1868

Know all men by these presents
that I J. J. Zimmerman of
the County and State aforesaid

Being at this time in my right
mind having full control of my senses in every respect
do in the presence of the undersigned witnesses make
this my will to wit; that my entire effects both
personal and real of any and every description
whatever is the property of J. J. Zimmerman
at my decease or death except the amount
of such property and effects to pay all my
debts which sufficient sum the said
Dezmoine is to pay prior to his appropriating
any part of the same to his own use or benefit
the remainder of such effects as stated in the body
of this will the said J. J. Zimmerman has his
speculators and assignees are to have and to hold a
forever. Signed in the presence of
J. S. Woodruff J. J. Zimmerman (Seal)
Daniel G. Trotter
A. Enochs

State of Tennessee County Court March term 1868
Dyer County

This day a paper writing purporting
to be the last will and testament of J. J.
Zimmerman deceased was produced before open
Court and duly proven by the oaths of Daniel
G. Trotter and Alfred Enochs Subscribing
witnesses thereto to be as it purports to be the
last will and testament of said J. J. Zimmerman
deceased. It is therefore ordered that the same be set
up and established as the last will and testament
of said J. J. Zimmerman and that the same be
recorded by the Clerk

Attest

J. H. Burton Clerk

Last Will and
Testament of
Wilson Hall deceased
Set up and established
December 7th 1868

Item 1st My will and desire
is that as soon after my death as may be
all my debts and funeral expenses be paid
out of the first money coming into my
Executor's hands - Item 2nd I give to

my beloved wife Sarah all my personal
property of every kind and description
consisting of house hold and kitchen furni-
ture, farming utensils, horses, cattle, hogs,
pigs, sheep, crop or hand money notes, every
thing of which I may at present not other-
wise dispose of, for her during her natural
life. She may sell and dispose of any of said
property and have the use of the marts inst-
ead of her with the consent of my Executor
deem it best so to do. And at the death of my
beloved wife Sarah, then all the estate in
this item of my well mentioned I direct to
be sold and the proceeds of the same to be

equally divided between my children
or their representatives, equally share &
share alike. Item third I give to my son
James M. Hall the tract of land on which
I now live containing one hundred and
thirty and one half acres, having a deed on
half price of the original tract this day to
my other two sons - this gift is made on the
following conditions that my son James
M. Hall is to pay my daughter Elizabeth C.
Evans, three hundred dollars, and my wife
is to have a good comfortable home on it during
her natural life. She is to live in the house with
my said son or to have a house of her own
as she may desire and to be comfortably sup-
ported during her natural life by my said son

I Wilson Hall being of sound
minded and disposing memory
have this day made this my last
will and testament hereby revoking
all former wills by me at any
former time herefore made

but with her consent he may use such of the
property as is given her in this will but not
to convert it to his own property but to use it
in aiding to support and provide for my beloved
wife as that is the object in giving it to her

Item 4th I hereby appoint Smith Parks as
My Executor to this my last will and Testa-
ment this 11th day of March 1868

Test H. J. Smith

D. R. Hendricks

Wilson Hall Sealed

State of Tennessee Commissioners Court
Dyer County December term 7th day, 1868

This day a paper writing purporting
to be the last will and testament of Wilson Hall
was produced here in open court and duly proven
by the Oaths of M. J. Smith & D. R. Hendricks
subscribing witnesses thereto, to hear it purports
to be the last will and testament of said Hall
It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same
be set up and established as the last will and
testament of said Wilson Hall deceased and that
the same be recorded by the Clerk.

Attest

Thos H. Breiter Clerk

Last will & Testament
of

C. H. Leesinger deceased
set up and established
February 7th day, 1869

I Charles H. Leesinger do hereby make
and publish this my last will and testament
Item 1st Let all my just debts be paid
Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my
beloved wife Nancy H. Leesinger

all of my personal property - money
choses in action &c. except as herein after provided to be
left absolutely. Item 3rd I give to my beloved wife
Nancy H. Leesinger for and during the term of her
natural life all of the real estate of which I die seized
and possessed - and said real estate at the death of my
of my wife Nancy H. Leesinger. I will and bequeath
to my following named children to wit Thomas J.
Leesinger, Zerobea F. Horrell his wife of George A. Horrell
Robert W. Leesinger, John P. Leesinger, James Leesinger
and Margaret E. Leesinger to be divided between them

and in case of the death of any of the above named Children before their mother without issue - the said property is to go to the Survivor or Survivor of them but should any of the above named Children die before their mother leaving children - Such Children in the division of said property are to Stand "in loco parentis" Item No 4 To all of my children except Robert W & James J & Margaret E Leesinger I have given each a heifer Cow & Calf two Sows & two Pigs to pursue equality as nearly as possible Having heard that my wife as soon after my death as possible out of the property herein given to her provided she can do so without inconvenience to herself Should give to each of said Children Robert W, James J & Margaret E Leesinger a heifer of the value of \$150 or a Cow and Calf of the value of two pigs & two Sows or to each of them the value of said property in money if my wife cannot do this in her life time (and it is altogether at her option whether she does or not) Then upon a division a division of my property as provided for in Item No 3 of this will the said Robert W & James J & Margaret E Leesinger are to have each say \$1000 more than the three other children named in said Item No 3.

Item No 5 I am the owner of an undivided 1/3 part of a tract of land of about 227 acres, - the same on which my brother P. C. Leesinger now lives - bequeathed to me from my brother Robert Leesinger. My brother P. C. Leesinger has been using and occupying said land for many years, without accounting to me for any of the rents and profits. I now chuse to prevent trouble and litigation in regard to the same if my brother P. C. Leesinger will within twelve months from my death pay to my Executrix the sum of Two thousand (2000) Dollars. I hereby authorize and empower my said Executrix to convey said Land to the said P. C. Leesinger by Deed and to execute to him full receipts and discharges for the rents and profits due to me - but if he fails within said period to accept of these terms & to pay said sum of Two thousand Dollars then my Executrix is hereby directed to apply

for a division of said Land and to have an account taken of the rents & profits due and to collect all that account of Equity will decree. And any money that may come in to the hands of my Executrix under this Item of my will shall at once, be divided among my six Children named in Item No 3 of this will or the Survivors of them and in the same way as therein provided for the division of my real estate Item No 6 a suit is now pending against me in

the Circuit Court of Lyne County Instituted by Alexander Williams and Mary E his wife as Administrators of John W Norton deceased in cause Suit I expect to recover judgment against me, the event that I recover said judgment and the same is collected I hereby direct my Executrix after paying the expenses by me incurred in defending said suit including the fees of my attorneys out of said judgment to pay the balance thereof to the legally appointed Guardian of James Norton and Leonora Norton Children of John W Norton dead for the use and benefit of said Children. The reason why my daughter Mary E now intermarried with Alexander Williams is left out of the provisions of this will as that I have already done for her more than I can do for the balance of my children and given her more than I can give to them - Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my wife Nancy J Leesinger Executrix of this my last will and testament and having every confidence in her prudence and not intending that she shall be responsible further than she agrees to any one except my creditor I hereby expressly waive the necessity of her giving bond as Executrix before signed witness my hand Sept 15 1868
Signed and published in our presence and we have

signed the same in presence of each other and of the testator Charles H. Leesinger
Sept 15 1868 E R Vernon

+ J R Datta witness
State of Iowa in the County of Lyne County February 1869

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Charles H. Leesinger deceased was produced here in open court and proven by the oaths of E. R. Vernon & J. R. Datta subscribing witness thereto to be as it

it purports to be the last will and testament of
Said. G. H. Gedinger It is therefore ordered by the
Court that the same be set up and established as
the last will and testament of the said G. H. Gedinger
deceased and that the same be recorded by the Clerk
Attest. Thomas H. Benton Clark

<p>Last will and Testament of Willis Chamberlain</p> <p>Know all men by these presents that I Willis Chamberlain lived February term 1869 being feeble in body but sound of mind do make and set up this my last will and testament and do hereby revoke all others that I may have made previous to this - First I give my wife Minnie & Corns Heales one horse One Sow & five Shoots and eight Sheep Two beds furnished One Safe two tables One trunk One chest One set of chair all of the household and Kitchen furniture Ten Bushels of corn 10 Bushels of wheat and four hundred pounds of pork and One third of my real estate including my dwelling house as her dower for life and at her death to be equally divided between my heirs all other property that I may die possessed of both real and personal shall be equally divided between my heirs by Deputy A. Chamberlain Nancy C. Smith and Mary Mc Davis - And do hereby nomi- nate and appoint Daniel C. Parker Execut- or of this my last will and testament Done October 28th 1868</p>	<p>State of Tennessee County of Dyer February 1st 1869</p> <p>This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Willis Chamberlain deceased was produced herein open Court and duly proven by the oaths of J. M. Ferrell & A. B. Hickman the two subscribing witnesses thereto to be as it purports to be the last will and testament of the said Chamberlain It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same be set up and established as the last will and testament of said Chamberlain deceased and that the same be recorded by the Clerk</p>
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Attest. Thomas H. Benton Clark
J. M. Ferrell
A. B. Hickman

State of Tennessee Commissioners Court February 1st 1869
Dyer County

This day a paper writing purporting to be
the last will and Testament of Willis Chamberlain
deceased was produced herein open Court and
duly proven by the oaths of J. M. Ferrell
& A. B. Hickman the two subscribing witnesses
thereto to be as it purports to be the last
will and testament of the said Chamberlain
It is therefore ordered by the Court that the
same be set up and established as the
last will and testament of said Chamberlain
deceased and that the same be recorded
by the Clerk

Attest. Thomas H. Benton Clark

Last Will and Testament
of Mary C. Wilkins deceased In the name of God Amen
Set up and established
March Court 1869

Mary C. Wilkins of the County
of Dyer and State of Tennessee
being sound in mind & memory but in a feeble state
of health do make and ordain this my last
will and testament following to wit I do recom-
mend my soul to god who gave it and my body
to the earth to be interred in a Christian like
manner. I do wish all of my just to
be paid off and discharged 300\$ given and
bequeathed unto my Daughter Josephine
Wilkins one feather bed and Covering. I also give
and bequeath unto my Daughter Angelina
Wilkins a feather Bed and Covering 1/4 th
I wish the remainder of my personal effects
to be sold and all of the money I have an hand
to be equally divided between my four
youngest children namely Josephine
Wilkins Anna Wilkins Emerson Ettinger Wilkins
and Lucy Wilkins I do nominate and
appoint Joseph Chittwood Executor of this my
last will and testament as witness for my

whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this the 12th day of February 1869.
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of { May 26. Wilkins (Signed)
Plurier Jos Pricard {
A. Chitwood }
4 Chitwood
quarter

State of Tennessee { Commissioners Court
Dyer County } March term 1869

This day a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of
Mary E. Wilkins deed was produced herein
open Court and proven by the oaths of Jas-
Richard S. G. Chitwood subscribing witness
thence to be as it purports to be the last will
and testament of the said Mary E. Wilkins
It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same
be set up and established and Recorded
by the Clerk and filed.

Attest

J. H. Beeton Clerk
of Dyer County Court

Last Will and Testament State of Tennessee

of
Dyer County
Margaret Dickey deceased Margaret Dickey being in
set up and established usual good health of body
November Term 1869 and of sane mind do this the
20th day of January eighteen
hundred and sixty nine declare this to be my last
will and testament, 1st I will any body to the Earth
whence it came. And my soul to god who gave it
2nd It is my will that out of my worldly effects
at my decease that all my just debts shall be
paid. and a sufficiency used to secure any body
a decent burial, 3rd I then will that my brother
Hiram J. Thorntons shall have the use of all means
belonging to me. that he shall have in his hands
at my death for the space of four years by
him paying \$1 in p[er]c[e]nt on the balance
4th I then will to my Nephew D. M. Corkle Esq
Four hundred dollars in money
5th I then will to my Nephew John E. M. Corkle

Three hundred Dollars in money.

6th I then will to my Nephew Anderson J. M. Corkle
the use of my house and lot in the Town of Trenton
Gibson County Tenn. Twelve months
7th I then will to nephew Henry A. M. Corkle Three
hundred Dollars in money. 8th I then will to my niece
Elizabeth J. Rivers (wife of Wyatt Rivers) Four hundred
dollar in money 9th I then will to my niece & Anna
M. Gregory (wife of John Gregory) four hundred Dollars
in money 10th I then will to my Nephew H. T. Woods
the tract or parcel of land willed to me by my Father
Said land lies adjoining the said H. T. Woods land
on which he now lives and contains by estimation
sixty acres more or less. I also will to the said Nephew
H. T. Woods one half of my town lot in the Town of Trenton
Gibson County Tennessee. (after Anderson J. M. Corkle
has the use of it twelve months, which I hold by deed
to me from J. P. Thomas 11th I then will the other half
of the above described house and lot after - after An-
derson J. M. Corkle has the use of it twelve months
to leave Alice daughter of the above named Nephew
H. T. Woods 12th I then will to my niece Martha
Ann Deak. wife of W. C. Deak. four hundred
dollars in money 13th I then will to my niece
Sarah Jane Green (wife of A. Green) four hundred
dollars in money 14th I then will to my niece
Susan A. Trout (wife of Wiley S. Trout) Four hun-
dred dollars in money. And if there be a re-
mainder of my effects after the above distribution
are made as therem specified. it is my will. that
Such remainder shall be equally distributed to the
above named legatees. I hereby appoint my
Nephew David P. M. Corkle Esq. as my sole
Executor to the within last will and testament
made and Subscribed to by me and my seal
affixed thereto in the presence of the Subscribing
Witness. This 20th day of January A.D. 1869
Test
Margaret Dickey (Signed)
John D. Hendricks
W. H. Franklin

State of Tennessee County Court Nov^r term 1869
Dyer County 3

This day a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of
Margaret Dickey deceased was produced herein
open Court and duly proven by the oaths of
W. H. Hendricks & W. H. Franklin Subscribing
witnesses to be as it purports to be the last will
and testament of Said Margaret Dickey deceased
It is therefore ordered by the Court that the
same be set up and established as the last
will & testament Margaret Dickey died
and that the same be recorded and filed by
the Clerk J. H. Benten Clerk
Attest
of Dyer County Court

Last Will & Testament A written will and tes-
tament of James Dunston do make and publish
James Dunston decd do make and publish
Set up and established this my last will and tes-
December County Court 1869 tament hereby revoking
and making void all other

wills by me made by at any time heretofore
that my funeral expenses and all my debt
be paid as soon after my death as possible
out of any money that I may die possessed
of. For may first come into the hands of
my Executor. Secondly I give and bequeath
to my lawful wife Rebekah Dunston one
Bord, mare One bay mare two years old
One spold mule 5 months old. One Cow four
years old One yearling twelve months old pasture
my present Crop both Corn and Cotton and Shot
gun House hold and Kitchen furniture

Thirdly all the notes & accounts concerning
my estate is to be equally divided between
Mary Anna Oakley & Caroline Jane Dunston
and Sarah Elizabeth Riddress. So witness
whereof I do to this my will set my hand
and seal.

James Dunston

Signed sealed and published in our presence

and we have subscribed our names hereto
in the presence of the testator October 1st day
1869 John Abbott & E. R. Shaw

State of Tennessee County Court December
Dyer County 3 Year 1869

This day a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament
of James Dunston deceased was produced
herein open Court and duly proven by
the oaths of John Abbott & E. R. Shaw
Subscribing witnesses thereto to be as it pur-
ports to be the last will and testament of
the said James Dunston deceased It is therefore
ordered by the Court that the same be
set up and established as the last will
and testament of the said Dunston deceased
and that the same be recorded by the
Clerk

Attest J. H. Benten Clerk
of Dyer County Court

Last will & Testament State of Tennessee Dyer County

H. C. Hall Deed
Set up June 6th 1870

In the name of God Amen.

I William C. Hall being of

sound mind and disposing memory but of feeble health and calling to mind the mortality of the body do make constitute and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following (in) My Body I commit to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner. And my soul to God who gave it. It is my will and desire that all my lawful debts together with my burial expenses be paid as soon after my death as can conveniently be done by my Executor whom I shall hereafter appoint. It is further my will and desire that Solomon S. Hollowell have the entire remainder of my estate after paying my debts as aforesaid. And I hereby will unto him my entire Estate as aforesaid, both real and personal.

Because when I was a stranger comparatively, he took me in, and when I was out of a home, he took me in and acted the part of the Good Samaritan. And I hereby appoint Solomon S. Hollowell my Executor to carry out this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

This the 25th day of May 1870

Signed & Sealed in the presence of
A. Fiedler, John J. Gray

H. C. Hall (Seal)

State of Tennessee June Term 1870.

Dyer County This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of H. C. Hall deceased was produced here in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the Oaths of A. Fiedler & J. Gray. Subscribing witnesses thereto. Who testified that they were personally acquainted with the testator. that he signed and published the said paper as his last will and testament in their presence and for the purposeis therein set forth and requested them specially to bear witness thereto and that they signed it in his presence. and at his request and that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of said will — It is therefore ordered by the court that said paper writing be set up as the last will and testament of the said H. C. Hall deceased and that the same be recorded etc.

Attest

Hall M. Hartman Clerk
Coy 14th Dyer Co. Tenn.

Robert A. Moore State of Tennessee Dyer County

Last Will and
Testament Set up June 6th AM
Dyer County Court

In the name of God Amen.

I Robert A. Moore being of sound mind and disposing memory and calling to mind the mortality of the body do make constitute and ordain this to be my last will and testament in form following (in) — My body I commit to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner. And my soul to God who gave it for Christ's sake. As to what worldly Goods it hath pleased God to bless me with. I will as follows. First I desire that all my lawful debts be paid by my Executor whom I shall hereafter name. as soon as possible without injury to my Estate. It is further my will that my Executor whom I shall designate shall sell the house and lot upon which I now reside containing eleven acres. either publicly or privately as in his judgment he may think best or swap it for some other place suitable for my family to live upon. And any sale or swap made by him shall be valid. if he shall sell it. then it is my will that all or somuch of the proceeds arising from such shall be laid out in the purchase of a suitable place for a home for my family my wife to have and hold her Dower in the place so bought or swapped for as much as had been in possession of the same at my death.

It is further my will that my Executor shall sell either publicly or privately as he may think best my interest in one house in the Village of Friendship. and three lots which I have an equal interest with my Brother J. C. Moore and appropriate the proceeds as he may think best to the use and benefit of my wife and children and it is my will that any sale made or any conveyance made by my Executor whom I shall name, publicly signed by him as such shall be lawful and valid. and I hereby designate and appoint my Brother J. C. Moore my Executor to settle up my Estate and carry this will into effect.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and affix my seal this the 25th day of March AD 1870

Deed

A. Fiedler

H. C. Hall

R. A. Moore Esq.

See next page

State of Tennessee June Term Dyer County Court 1870
Dyer County

This day a paper or writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Robert A. Morris deceased was produced here in open court and its execution thereof duly sworn by the oaths of A. J. Field & Wyatt Gundod. Subscribing witnesses thereto who testified that they were personally acquainted with the testator that he signed and published the said paper as his last will and testament in their presence and for the purposes therein set forth did request them especially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed it in his presence and at his request, and that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of said will.

It is therefore ordered by the court that said paper or writing be set up as the last will and testament of the said Robert A. Morris dec'd and the same be recorded.

Attest

Will M. Mathews Clerk
J. C. Doyle & C

Last Will & Testament
of

M. B. Carroll dec'd
Set up August 1st 1870

State of Tennessee Dyer County

I M. B. Carroll being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby

Praying all others if any at any time made it is my will first that all of my just debts to be paid and then that my estate go to my beloved wife to be Carroll during her life or widowed, and then at her death I want the same equally divided between my children. But if she should marry I want her to come in for a child's share as if there was no will. I hereby appoint my said beloved wife as my execatrix.

Witness my hand and seal this 28th day of August 1869
Witnesses
H. T. Hudson
H. L. Donckers

M. B. Carroll

State of Tennessee August Dyer County 1870
Dyer County

This day a paper written purporting to be the last will and testament of M. B. Carroll deceased was produced here in open court and its execution thereof duly sworn by the oaths of H. T. Hudson and H. L. Donckers subscribed witnesses thereto. Who testified that they were personally acquainted with the testator that he signed and published the same as his last will and testament in their presence and for the purposes therein set forth and requested them to bear witness thereto and that they signed it in his presence and at his request. And that he was of sound and disposing memory at the execution of said will.

It is therefore ordered by the court that said paper or writing be set up as the last will and testament of the said M. B. Carroll and the same be recorded.

Attest

Will M. Mathews Clerk
J. C. Doyle & C

Last Will & Testament
of

Nicholas C. Hendry and
Set up August 1st 1870

State of Tennessee Dyer County

I Nicholas C. Hendry being in my right mind do hereby publish and make known to the world this my last will and testament, revoking all and every will hitherto made by me; as follows to wit: In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, that justice may be done and had after my demise,

I do appoint and by these presents request my true and tried friends & neighbor Thomas W. Jones to act as my Executor to carry out these my last desires, after my death. First, I desire that all of my just debts be paid out of my personal estate. Second, that my dear wife Emma be protected in the proper use of all of my real and personal estate, so long as she lives or remains a widow. For the purpose of raising and educating all of the minor children born to me by my wife Emma: And after her death that all of my property, both real and personal be sold and equitably distributed be made between my son Charles born to me by my first wife Mary Ann, and

My Children born to me by my said wife Emma
Nicholas Wharf & hermits set my hand and seal
this the 20th day of May 1870.

Attest N C Geenty *Right*

Geo H. Moss

Bry Blackwell

J H Heasell

State of Tennessee

Dyer County 3 August Dyer County Court 1870

This day a paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Nicholas C Geenty deceased was produced hereto open court and the execution thereof duly sworn by the oaths of John H. Moss, Bry Blackwell and J H Heasell Subscribing witnesses thereto who testified that they were personally acquainted with the Testator, that he signed and published the said paper as his last will and Testament in their presence, and before the witness wherein aforesaid, and requested them specially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed it in his presence and at his request, and that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of said will.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing be set up as the last will and testament of the said Nicholas C Geenty deceased and the same be recorded.

Attest W M Watters Clerk

Last Will and Testament

of

James Chambers deceased

Set up & established October

Court 1870 & ordered recorded

W M Watters County Clerk

State of Tennessee Dyer County
In the name of god amen.

I James Chambers being of sound mind and disposing memory but in feeble health and calling to recollection that it is appointed unto man to die do make

constitute and ordain this my last will

and testament in manner and form following. That is to say my body I commit to the earth to be buried in a plain decent Christian like manner and my soul I commit to god who gave it

It is further my will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as practicable without injury to my estate. It is further my will and desire that my wife Mary A Chambers have during her natural life a Dower out of my real estate to be laid off as in such cases the law directs to set forth in the Code upon her application to the County Court. It is further my will and desire that my wife Mary A Chambers have what the law would allow an insolvent debtor so far as the same might be on hand at my death and nothing more as she has had the use and benefit of certain moneys in her possession since we were married.

It is further my will and desire that my son Jasias Chambers his heirs and assigns have forty acres of land off the east end of the tract of land I purchased of Alvin A. Johnson Esq.

It is further my will and desire that my Son Alfred Chambers his heirs and assigns have the balance of the tract above named which I have not willed to my son Jasias Chambers together with so much of the tract upon which I now reside a tract make him in all forty acres to be run off so as to include the house I gave him and upon which he now resides. It is further my will and desire that my Son William S Chambers his heirs and assigns have all the balance of my lands not willed to my two sons named above subject to my wife Mary A Chambers Dower during her natural life.

It is further my will and desire that the bodily hours of my deceased daughter Catherine A Stauff have five hundred dollars in money. It is further my will and desire that my Son William S Chambers have all the remainder of my estate after paying all my just debts and expenses of settling up my estate not heretofore mentioned as the land willed to him is subject to my wife's Dower.

It is further my will and desire that Alfred Delder act as my executor to carry out this my last will and

testament, in witness whereof I have subscribed set my hand and
seal this the 3rd day of August A.D. 1870.

Test James Chambers Seal

J. K. Strayhorn
D. W. Baker

State of Tennessee October Term County Court 1870.
A.D. 1871 (cont'd)

This day a paper writing purporting to
be the Last Will and Testament of James Chambers dec'd
was produced before this Court for probate.

Whereupon came J. K. Strayhorn & D. W. Baker Sub-
scribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn deposed that
they were personally acquainted with the Testator that he
signed and published the said paper as his Last will
and Testament in their presence and for the purposes therein
set forth and requested them specially to bear witness thereto
and that they signed it in the presence of the Testator and in
the presence of each other and at his request and the want
of sound mind and despatching memory at the time of the
execution of said will.

It is therefore ordered by the court that the said
paper writing be set up and established as the Last will
and Testament of James Chambers dec'd and be recorded
by the Clerk.

Allot

William W. Watkins Clerk
By Dick Doyle D. C.

Last Will and Testament

of
Thomas G. Mitchell dec'd
Set up & established January 1st
Recorded January 1st 1871
Will M. Watkins Clerk

State of Tennessee
Dyer County

I Thomas G. Mitchell of Dyer County
do make this my last will and testa-
ment hereby revoking all others by

me at anytime made. First: I give to each of my daughters
One hundred Dollars for the purpose of placing monuments
over them. - Second: I direct that after my death a marble
box tomb be erected over my grave by my executors.

Third: The property which I have placed in the possession of
my daughter and son-in-law Newton C. Warren & Susan G.
his wife I give unto my said daughter Susan G. for during
her natural life to her own sole and separate use and at her
death to go to her children and their heirs forever.

Fourth: as to the residue of my estate both real and personal
I direct that the same shall remain under the care of my
executors until the youngest child of either of my said
daughters now living or hereafter to be born shall become twenty
one years of age and the said estate with its accumulation
shall be equally divided among all my grandchildren
then living and if any are dead bearing issue such issue to stand
in the place of the parent and receive the parents share.

If any one or more of my negroes shall become unmanageable
or disobedient so as in the opinion of my executors to render
it proper to sell such slave or slaves they shall have power
to do so and to loan out the proceeds or recruit them in other
negroes and my executors will keep my slaves together on my
farm until the period for a final division but in case the
negroes become too numerous to work the farm profitably then
my executors are to hire out such as cannot be profitably
employed on the farm.

The funds which may come into the hands of my executors
either at my death or from the proceeds of the labor or sale
of the property (as herein provided for) shall by my executors
be kept constantly invested at interest until said period
of final division when the whole estate shall be divided as
above directed.

Fifth: my executors may at my death and from time
to time thereafter sell off any portion of my stock which

which they may deem proper at private sale, and the
house-hold furniture for hands at my death. I wish
my two daughters to have and divide between themselves
without a bat.

Sixth - The powers herein confided upon my executors
are to be exercised by any person or persons who may
hereafter lawfully have committed to them the execution
of the provisions of this will.

Seventh - my boy Bob I wish to remain here in
the neighborhood of his wife, as long as my executors think
it proper.

Eighth - I appoint as the executors of this will, my
Son-in-Law Thomas H Jones and my friends John F.
Sinclair and Ralph Sinclair. But should they decline
serving, or any two of them decline, then they may nom-
inate two or more persons to act as executors and should
a vacancy occur at anytime in the office of executor
my Son-in-Law Thomas H Jones, during his life time may
nominate some person or persons to act.

In testimony whereof I have signed & sealed this
paper this 27th day of August A.D. 1860.

Signed sealed & published
in the presence of

M. R. Hall,
John H. Wilkins

Thomas H. Mitchell test

State of Summers on the matter of will of Thomas
Hager County of Mitchell die^d late of Hager Co

On this day Thomas H Jones and John F. Sinclair
produced in open court, a paper writing purporting to be the
last will and testament of Thomas H. Mitchell die^d and
thereupon said John F. Sinclair declaimed and refused
to qualify as the executor of said will, and thereupon
said John F. Sinclair (Ralph Sinclair one of the exec-
utors nominated in said will being dead) nominated
said Thomas H Jones as sole executor of said last will
and testament. Said paper writing purporting to be
the last will and testament of said Thomas H.
Mitchell die^d being attested by the signatures of

M. R. Hall and John H. Wilkins as subscribing witnesses thereto and
thereupon came into open court Robert Caldwell and Smith
Parks witness, who being duly sworn, proved that they were
well acquainted with M. R. Hall and John H. Wilkins the
attesting witnesses to said will - and that the said M.
R. Hall and John H. Wilkins are both dead, they further
prove that they are well acquainted with the handwriting
of said attesting witnesses, and that said signatures
are in the handwriting of said M. R. Hall & J. H. Wilkins
And thereupon came also here into open court James
D. Sinclair and A. L. Warren witness, who being duly sworn
prove that they were well acquainted with said Thomas
H. Mitchell in his lifetime - that he is now dead. They also
prove that they were well acquainted with the handwriting
of said Thomas H. Mitchell die^d and that the signature of
said testator to said paper writing, is in the handwriting
of said Thomas H. Mitchell.

Said will being duly proven. It is ordered by the
Court that the said paper writing be and is hereby set
up and established as the will of said Thomas H. Mitchell
deceased, and that the same be recorded as such, by
the Clerk.

Attest

William H. Wilkins Clerk
By Dick & Doyle D.C.

State of Tennessee
Dyer County

George A. Fowles as
per his original will, born 1811
Recorded July 1st, 1871
Will W. Hackens Clerk published this my last will & Testament
By Wm C. Doyle Esq.

Item 1st Let all my just debts be
paid as soon as possible out of
my personal effects - which I hereby direct my executors to
sell to create a fund for that purpose. And for distribution as
provided in the 2nd clause of my will.

Item 2nd The balance of the fund arising from the sale of my
personal property after payment of my debts I hereby direct
be divided equally between my wife and my three children
share and share alike.

Item 3^d I give my wife Zerobia Francis Fowles, Power
of all the real estate of which I die seized and possessed
that is one third part of the same during the term of her
natural life - quality and quantity considered including
my present residence.

Item 4th I hereby give and bequeath my real estate as
follows First, to my youngest child and only son.

I give and bequeath my farm known as the "Methord place"
containing about 300 acres, bought by me of John Methord.
Second, to my two daughters George Anna Fowles & Jenny Fowles
I give and bequeath my home place to be equally divided
between them by a line running North and South George Anna
to have the eastern end and Jenny to have the western end.
I also give and bequeath to my two said daughters my
bottom farm situated on the north side of the Ohio river.
Containing 300 acres to be equally divided between them.

Item 5th The residue and bequests of my real estate as
provided for in the 1st clause of this will is not to be made
or take effect until my said youngest child and only
son comes of age or marries - but the whole of my real
estate outside of the above given my wife in Item 3^d
of my will is to remain in common between my three
children, and the rents and profits arising therefrom
is to remain in common and be used by their guardian
or guardians as far as may be necessary and as nearly
equally as may be for their support and education.

In the event of the death of my son before he comes of age
or marries then the property hereby bequeathed to him
shall not at once in his heirs at law.

Item 6th I hereby direct my wife to rest at her home
hereby given her except such portion around the Stone-
Bridge as she may be able to cultivate profitably.

Item 7th On the event of my wife's death before my sons
becoming of age or marrying then and in that event my
real estate shall at once rest in my children in the
proportion and share so provided for in the 4th clause of
this my will.

Item 8th I hereby nominate and appoint
Guardian of my children

Item 9th I hereby nominate and appoint my wife
Zerobia Francis Fowles my executrix of my last
will and testament requiring no security of her as ex-
ecutor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand this the 18th day of November 1870

George A. Fowles

Signed and acknowledged
in our presence, and in the
presence thereof we have
hereunto set our hands in presence
of each other and the testator this
the 18th day of November 1870 -

Joseph Smith
William P. M. Rogers

State of Tennessee

Dyer County, 3rd Alberary Term County Court 1871
This day a paper containing your writing to be the last will and testa-
ment of George A. Fowles late a citizen of Dyer County deceased
was produced here in open court for Probate

Whereupon came Joseph Smith & W. P. Rogers, Subscribing witness thereto who being
first duly sworn deposed and say that they were personally
acquainted with the testator in his lifetime, that he signed
and published the said paper writing as his last will and
testament in their presence and for the purpose therein
set forth and requested them especially to bear witness
thereto, and that they signed it in the presence of each
other and in the presence of the testator, as at his request

and that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of executing the same said will. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper bearing the date and established as the last will and testament of George A. Parks deceased and the same be recorded by the Clerk.

Attest,
Wm Waddington Clerk
180 Old Doyle St, Q

Last Will & Testament

James B Cunningham did set up & established June 5th 1871
Recorded June 24th 1871
Will Waddington Clerk

and I James B Cunningham being of sound mind, now a resident citizen of the aforesaid State and County do make this, and publish this as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.

Firslty. I bequeath my soul to God who gave it, my wife & all my children to the charge and prayers of the C. I. Church, in mercy of God.

Secondly. I bequeath that all of my debts paid out of the first monies that the executors may receive from sales of real or personal estate, or notes or monies which I may die possessed.

Thirdly. I bequeath that my executor within one year from my death, sell all of my real estate, except my Home stead (where I am now living) 1/2 mile north of Auburn, either privately or publicly, on such terms as he may deem best, apart only cash, or wholly so.

Fourthly. That as Cora Lee, Mattie Lou, & Joe Haines have secured them (from me) two thousand Dollars each in life Policies as follows \$5000 in the Southern at Minneapolis & \$1000 in St. Louis Mutual at Saint Louis Mo. at my death I order will and bequeath that Mr Andrew S. Parks their uncle be qualified as their Guardian as the law directs by making good and sufficient bond to the court, then the said Guardian proceed to draw said amount from me and invest it securely to the greatest profit for their the Childrens interest, and that they have as much

State of Kansas, Otoe County

I James B Cunningham being of sound mind, now a resident citizen of the aforesaid State and County do make this, and publish this as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.

Firslty. I bequeath my soul to God who gave it, my wife & all my children to the charge and prayers of the C. I. Church, in mercy of God.

Secondly. I bequeath that all of my debts paid out of the first monies that the executors may receive from sales of real or personal estate, or notes or monies which I may die possessed.

Thirdly. I bequeath that my executor within one year from my death, sell all of my real estate, except my Home stead (where I am now living) 1/2 mile north of Auburn, either privately or publicly, on such terms as he may deem best, apart only cash, or wholly so.

Fourthly. That as Cora Lee, Mattie Lou, & Joe Haines have secured them (from me) two thousand Dollars each in life Policies as follows \$5000 in the Southern at Minneapolis & \$1000 in St. Louis Mutual at Saint Louis Mo. at my death I order will and bequeath that Mr Andrew S. Parks their uncle be qualified as their Guardian as the law directs by making good and sufficient bond to the court, then the said Guardian proceed to draw said amount from me and invest it securely to the greatest profit for their the Childrens interest, and that they have as much

of the interest only yearly as they in his judgment need.

Fifthly. I bequeath to my beloved wife Mary H. the Homestead which I value at \$3000 and all the household & kitchen furniture except that already claimed by the several children as heirlooms from their ancestors, also one fourth of proceeds of my real estate when sold.

Sixthly. That if my wife shall have any children living at my death by me, that the same to first made equal part of the proceeds of assets of my estate, to the 3rd three first children, and that said child shall have the same for Guardian A. S. Parks, and interest said child remains in the 1st way he may think best, for said child to be that the interest on it may support said child.

Seventhly. I bequeath that all my children live with my wife and, that the Guardian pay her for board for them on such terms as they may agree, she remaining my widow, but if she shall marry then the children may have their choice to board with her or someone else, being advised by their Guardian for their best interest.

Eighthly. I nominate and hereby appoint Mr. Andrew S. Parks my executor and also the guardian of children, to manage as the law directs in such cases.

In the presence of these witness I affix my name, this July the 24th 1870 A.D.

James B Cunningham *Sealed*
Codicil. That of the undivided interest when the youngest child shall have assigned its part the remaining shall be equally divided between children & wife.

Witness

J. B. Dickey,
James M. Shumard.

J. B. Cunningham

Codicil No. 2. After mature reflection & full satisfaction that it may be best for my beloved wife and children to change the seventh item of this my last will & testament to which this is added as codicil no 2, as to allow my children to have such home or homes as my beloved wife & executors may think best, and my will and desire is that they may remain with my beloved wife on the terms mentioned in Item seven or not, as shall be deemed best for their interest, by my executors, my beloved wife asserting thence, this provision is for Cora Lee, Mattie Lou & Joe Haines only.

over

Start -

I also think it best for the interest of all the Guardians that Hamilton Park be also appointed as one of my executors & guardians for my children, and I hereby do nominate and appoint him such executor & guardian on the same terms and conditions that his brother Andrew S. Park is appointed my Executor & guardian for my children in this will.

I further will and direct that my executors in the sale of my real estate as heretofore directed, sell and convey the same without the aid or intervention of any Court Divorce whatever.

And that my will be more surely understood and carried out by my executors, I direct that my beloved wife and the four children be made equal in the division of the proceeds of my estate taking the same share and share alike, my beloved wife taking the homestead at the valuation in sum five of this will, and the household and kitchen furniture therein given her at one hundred dollars.

April 26th 1871.

Hannah
Sarah Park
J. A. Hyatt

Jas B Cunningham

State of Tennessee, Dyer County Court 1871.
Dyer County, This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of James B. Cunningham, late of Dyer County deceased, was produced here in open court for probate. Whereupon came G. B. Tracy & W. H. Shirrell subscribing witnesses thereto and Samuel Park & J. A. Hyatt subscribing witnesses to Codicil No. 1 of said will, who being first duly sworn, deposes as follows: that they were personally acquainted with J. B. Cunningham in his lifetime, that he was of sound and disposing mind (at the time of the execution) of the same, and that he signed and established the said paper writing as his last will & testament in their presence and for the purposes therein set forth & requested them specially to bear witness thereto. That they signed it in his presence and in the presence of each other (as required). It is therefore resolved by the Court that the said paper writing be set up and established as the last will & testament of said James B. Cunningham deceased and the same be recorded by the Clerk and placed on file in the County Clerk's office.

Attest W. H. Hartley Clerk
By Lieut. D. Day, D.C.

Last Will & Testament
of
Samuel B. Shaw dec'd.
Set up and established August
1871.

Recorded Aug 21st 1871.
Wm. M. Hartley Clerk

State of Tennessee.
Dyer County.

In the name of Almighty God,
Amen. I Samuel B. Shaw, of the
County of Dyer and State of Tennessee
being in good health but of sound
mind and knowing the uncertainty
of life, and the certainty of death do hereby make and
constitute this my last will and testament. hereby re-
voking all other wills by me made.

Item 1st. That my body be decently buried when I am dead.

Item 2nd. That all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as my executors hereinafter mentioned may find it convenient to do so.

Item 3rd. I will to my beloved brothers Craig A. Shaw and David A. Shaw, and my beloved sister Martha C. Shaw, all of my property of every description both personal and real, to be divided between them equally so that each one will receive one third of my estate.

Item 4th. I will the fine black mare of mine which my brother Thomas J. Shaw rode into the Confederate Army, and got captured to be a set off against the rate the Halds against me for some Sixty or a hundred dollars. It being a note I gave Wm. C. Waggoner.

Item 5th. I will that my brothers Craig A. and David A. Shaw & I hereby appoint them my executors to carry into effect the provisions of this my last will and testament.

Done at my residence in the Fourth Civil District
of Dyer County Tennessee on this the 3^d day of June 1871.
In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name.

Attest
H. L. Turney
Wm. D. Taylor

Sam'l B. Shaw

State of Tennessee

Dyer County, August Term County Court 1871.
 This day a paper writing purporting to be
the last will and testament of Samuel B. Shaw dec'd.
was pronounced here in open court for probate.

whereupon came J. L. Turney and Wm A. Tracy Subscribing witness thereto, who being first duly sworn, deposes as follows, that they were personally acquainted with the testator in his lifetime, that he was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of the execution of the same, and that he signed and published the said paper writing as his last will and testament in their presence and for the purposes therein contained, and requested them especially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed the same in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing be set up and established as the last will and testament of said Sam P. Shaw deceased, and the same be recorded by the Clerk, and placed on file in the County Clerks office.

Attest
William M. Hastings Clerk
By H. C. Doyle A.C.

Last Will & Testament

Agnes Walker Esq.
Set up ~~and attested before me~~
Recorded Sept 10th 1871
H. C. Doyle A.C.
By H. C. Doyle A.C.

I will and bequeath that after I am dead, that all my just indebtedness be paid, after which, I will and bequeath to my daughter Malissa Walker my mare (or) Buggy and Buggy harness. I also will and bequeath to my daughter Malissa Walker, all of my future interest in my husbands (Mathew P. Walker deceased) estate consisting of money, collected and money that should have been collected — This September 10th 1869.

Witnesses
John M. Drane
Louisa P. Drane

Agnes Walker

State of Pennsylvania Dyer County

In the name of God, Amen.
Agnes Walker being of sound mind, do make and cause to be written the following as my will. Be it witness,

I will and bequeath that after I am dead, that all my just indebtedness be paid, after which, I will and bequeath to my daughter Malissa Walker my mare (or) Buggy and Buggy harness. I also will and bequeath to my daughter Malissa Walker, all of my future interest in my husbands (Mathew P. Walker deceased) estate consisting of money, collected and money that should have been collected — This September 10th 1869.

Agnes Walker

State of Pennsylvania Dyer County Court 1871
Dyer County This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Agnes Walker ~~in her lifetime~~ for probate whereupon came John M. Drane and Louisa P. Drane Subscribing etc. witness thereto, who being duly sworn, deposes as follows. So wt. That they were personally acquainted with Agnes Walker the Testatrix in her lifetime, that she was of sound and disposing mind at the time of the execution of the same and that she signed and published the said paper writing as her last will and testament in their presence and for the purposes therein contained, and requested them especially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed the same in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be set up and established as the Last will and testament of said Agnes Walker deceased and that same be recorded by the clerk and placed on file in the County Clerks office.

Attest
William M. Hastings Clerk
By H. C. Doyle A.C.

Last Will & Testament

of
R. G. Holudowski
Set up and attested Oct 10th 1871
Recording Nov 2nd 1871
H. C. Doyle A.C.

J. R. G. Holudowski of the County of Dyer and State of Indiana make this my last will & give devise and bequeath my estate and property, real and personal as follows; that is to say, I want all my property, both real and personal to go to my wife, during her life time and by H. C. Doyle A.C. should said wife outlive her, devolve her to have Two Hundred Dollars and all the rest of my estate to be divided equally between the children. The monies coming from North Carolina I want as much as Eight Thousand Dollars to go to my last child, and the balance to my wife as she chooses, I do now appoint or choose D. H. Harmon of Dyer County, State of Iowa as my Executor to execute this my will, I do now sell of my lands to go on as I have contracted and that the Executor to have power as myself if living. Devolve the sale of all my

General Power to take effect, as I have commenced it
and the proceeds first go to the discharge of my indebtedness
in testimony whereof I have signed and sealed and
published and declared this instrument at home
near Friendship, Tennessee, this 28th day of Sept 1871.

R. G. Henderson *[Signature]*

The said R. G. Henderson at said place and said date
signed and sealed this instrument and published as aforesaid
the same as and for his last will, and even at his request
in the presence of each other have inserted written our
names as subscribing witnesses.

J. M. Boling - Witness

H. J. Terry - Witness

State of Tennessee

Perry County 3 October Term of County Court 1871.

This day a Paper writing purporting to be
the Last Will and Testament of R. G. Henderson deceased was
produced here in open court for probate. Whereupon came
J. M. Boling and H. J. Terry, subscribing witnesses thereto, who
being first duly sworn, deposed and said as follows: That
they were personally acquainted with the testator in his
lifetime, that he was of sound and disposing memory at the
time of the execution of the same, and that he signed and
published said Paper writing as his last will and Testament in
their presence and for the purpose therein contained and
as witness thereto to bear witness thereto, and that they signed
it in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.
It is therefore ordered that said Paper writing be and is now
hereby set up and established as the last will and Testament
of the said R. G. Henderson deceased and the recorded
by the Clerk.

Attest: W. M. Hawkins Clerk
By: Jacob Hawkins D.C.

Last Will and Testament State of Tennessee Perry County

H. H. Haddie deceased I William H. Haddie being in feeble
set up and established at the time of his death, but sound of mind, hereby makes his
February Term A.D. 1872 as my Last Will and Testament, revoking
Recorded & by 10th 1872 all and sundry all former Wills Testaments
Hill M. Hawkins Clerk at any time made by me.
By Jacob Hawkins D.C. Test 10th First my Executors will first pay
all my debts and burial expenses

out of any money coming to his hands.

Item 2nd; My children by my first wife having all had their
portions of my estate I intended for them I give them nothing more
except to confirm them in the gifts and bequests hereinfor made to them.

Item 3rd; My will and desire is that my beloved wife Ann, have
control and possession of my two children - the children of
my second wife - that she take their mothers place in every particular
have the same charge and control of them in possession, morals
and education that their natural mother would have if living -
and I give to my beloved wife Ann, and to my little son John
William, about 12 years old last September, and to my little son
Joseph Hunter Haddie, about four years old the present January
all my property, whether real, personal or mixed, to be divided be-
tween them as though my beloved wife was their natural mother, to be
divided as the law divides it between them. This includes my life
Policy and all the estate, possessions or property of every kind and
description it may be of which I am possessed.

I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Ann my Executor
to this my last will and Testament and make her Substitute
Guardian for my children John H. and Joseph H. Haddie -
January 1872.

Witness
Smith Banks
D. R. Westbrook

H. H. Haddie

State of Tennessee February Term of the County Court 1872,
Perry County 3 Monday 5th 1872,

This day a Paper writing purporting to be the Last will and
Testament of H. H. Haddie deceased was produced here into open court
for probate. Whereupon came Smith Banks and D. R. Westbrook
subscribing witnesses thereto, who being first duly sworn deposed

and said as follows: That my wife personally acquainted with me & stated in his life time, that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of the same and that he signed and published said paper writing as his last will and testament in their presence and for the purpose herein contained and requested them specially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed it in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.

Whereupon ordered that said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last will and testament of the said William R. Maddie, deceased and so recorded by the Clerk.

Attest: William H. Hawkins Clerk
By: Jack Hartman D.C.

Last Will & Testament

State of Tennessee, Dyer County

Sarah Ann Stattinge I, Sarah Ann Stattinge of the County of Set up and established July 1st 1871, and State of Tennessee make this my Recorded July 16th 1871 Last will and Testament:

Will H. Hawkins Clerk I give, devise and bequeath my real and personal property as follows: that is to say, a tract of land containing by estimated 3.475 acres, the land that my husband Camah Stattinge gave me by conveyance in the year 1859 and also from John J. Davis in the year 1863, said land is situated and being in the First Civil Township of Dyer County State of Tennessee, bounded as follows: North by Bill Howell and J. Rodgers, East by N. T. Fury, South by B. W. Harmon and West by S. M. Coling, Second Stattinge, and the heirs at my death. Should die before me, then of them of whom I have signed and sealed and published and declared the instrument as my last will at home on the 28th day of March A.D. 1871.

Sarah. Ann Stattinge

The said Sarah. Ann Stattinge at home on said date above signed and sealed the instrument and published and declared the same as and for her last will and testament in their presence and in the presence of each other, have countersigned their names as subscribing witnesses.

Attestation of witnesses -

B. W. Harmon
W. J. Hall

State of Tennessee, February 2^d term of the County Court
Dyer County, of Dyer County Tennessee 1872,
Monday the fifth of July 1872

This day a Paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Sarah Ann Stattinge was produced here into open Court for probate whereupon C. W. Harmon and W. J. Hall Subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn deposed and said that they are personally acquainted with the testator, that she was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of the same and that they signed and published said paper writing as the Last will and testament in their presence and for the purpose therein contained and requested them specially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed it in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.

It is therefore ordered that said Paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the Last Will and Testament of the said Sarah Ann Stattinge and that the same be recorded by the Clerk.

Attest: Will H. Hawkins Clerk
By: Jack Hartman D.C.

Last Will & Testament

of

Camah Stattinge

Set up & established July 1872

Recorded July 16th 1872

J. H. Hawkins Clerk

By: Jack Hartman D.C.

State of Tennessee, Dyer County

I, Camah Stattinge of the County of Dyer State of Tennessee make this my Last Will and Testament & give, devise and bequeath my real estate and personal property as follows: that is to say all my personalty as money, stock, household and kitchen furniture and all interests future after all just debts have been satisfied at my death to Sarah. Ann Stattinge my wife. Should she be so fortunate as to live the longest.

Witnessing whereof I have signed and sealed and published and declared this instrument as my last will at home on the 28th day of March A.D. 1871,

Camah. Stattinge

The said Camah Stattinge at home on the date above signed and sealed this instrument and published and declared the same as and for his last will and in the signature

and in his presence and in the presence of each other further
witnesses above named as subscribers witness
Attestation of witnesses. D. 36 26 or more
H. J. Hall

State of Tennessee, County Term of the Year
Dyer County, County Court 1872.
Monday Sept 5th 1872.

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and
testament of Cannall Hastings was produced here
in open court for probate whereupon came Wm. C. D. O.
Harrison and H. J. Hall subscribing witnesses thereto
who being duly sworn deposed and said as follows and
that they are personally acquainted with the testator and
that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the
execution of the same and that he signed and published
said paper writing as his last will and testament in their
presence and for the purpose thereof attested and
agreed them specially to bear witness thereto and that
they signed it in the presence of the testator and in the presence
of each other.

Wherefore ordered that said paper writing be and
the same is hereby set up and established as the last
will and testament of the said Cannall Hastings
and that the same be recorded by the Clerk.

Attest: H. M. Watkins Clerk
By Zach Watkins D.C.

State of Tennessee, September term of
Dyer County, Dyer County, Court
Monday Sept 2^d 1872

This day a paper writing purporting to be the
last will and testament of Mary Caldwell
was produced here in open court for probate
whereupon came Thomas Miller and George
Miller subscribing witnesses thereto who being
duly sworn deposed and said as follows
to wit: That they were personally acquainted
with the testatrix and that she was of sound
and disposing memory at the time of the
execution of the same, and that she signed
and published said paper writing as her
last will and testament in their presence
and for the purposes therein contained
and requested them especially to bear
witness thereto and that they signed it in
the presence of the testatrix and in the presence
of each other.

It is therefore ordered that said
paper writing be and the same is hereby
set up and established as the last will and
testament of the said Mary Caldwell and
that the same be recorded by the Clerk.

Attest: W. M. Watkins Clerk
By Zach Watkins D.C.

Last Will & Testament

Mary Caldwell dec'd
Set up + established
24th October 1867
Probated Sept 2nd 1872
Recorded Sept 5th 1872
William M. Watkins Clark
By Zach. Watkins D.C.

State of Tennessee.
Dyer County. - I
Mary Caldwell of
the County and State
above named being
in sound mind but
failing in body, known
to the uncertainty of life
but certainty of death

do make this my will and testament - first
I will my soul to God who gave it and my
body to its Mother earth. I will that my
burial and funeral expenses together with
my just debts be first paid, out of any
means I may die possessed of. I will that
my Son James P. have eighty acres out of
one hundred fifty acres including the place
the houses & live in is now in being (the one
hundred fifty acres) paid for out of my
own money, and the balance seventy acres
to be equally divided between my two
sons William & Robert M. Caldwell, and
I will that said William, Robert M. + James
P. Caldwell pay to Mary P. Blum each five
hundred dollars each to pay an equal sum
as she may need the means to assist in
educating her, the other one hundred and
fifty acres I will to Catherine P. Meaby, Mary
J. Craig, Martha Ann Powell, William Cal-
well and Robert M. Caldwell to be equally
divided and all my personal property which
I may be possessed of at my death I will to
be equally divided between my six children
above named, and hereby nominate and
appoint my three sons, William Robert M. +
James P. Caldwell my executors to carry
out this my last will and testament. In
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my seal in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and sixty seven

This 24th day of October & year above written
Test. Thomas Miller
George Miller
For Probate See 199 or 195
Mary Caldwell *Seal*

Last Will & Testament

John M. Hart, dec'd
Set up and established
March 12th 1870
Probated Octr 7th 1872
Recorded Octr 26th 1872
William M. Watkins deceased
By Zach. Watkins D.C.

This my last will and
testament made this
March the 12th in the
year of Our Lord one
thous and eight hun-
dred and Seventy
It is my will and
desire that after my
debt and funeral
expenses are paid that
all my effects be converted into money and that
equally divided between my four brothers D. J. Hart
R. L. Hart, W. P. Hart and M. J. Hart and my two
sisters H. F. Patterson + R. J. Parker. It is my will
and wish that each of these Legatees as named above
give equally each year an amount sufficient
to board our Mother with some one of said Legatees
and Chothe her comfortably during her natural life
It is my will and wish that my Executors have
power to sell and make deeds to my lands and
other real estate, without getting an order from
Court for said purpose. It is my will and
wish that my brother R. L. Hart + D. J. Williamson
take possession of and execute this my last
will.

Witnesses: R. B. Moore
J. B. Moore

John M. Hart, *Seal*

"Uncupative Codicil"

I wish to alter my will previously made so
as to give to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church
the sum of five hundred dollars in gold
now deposited in my safe with my will
and other valuables, and I appoint Milton
J. Hart and Paul E. Parker, Trustees, who
shall dispose of it as they may deem best
for general interest of the church, September 3rd 1872

Monday Octr. 1 1872

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of John M. Hart deceased was produced here in open Court for probate Whereupon Came A. P. Moore, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto here into open Court, who having been first duly sworn deposed and said that he was personally acquainted with the Testator in his lifetime; that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of said paper writing, and that he signed and published said paper writing as his last will & testament in his presence and for the purposes therein contained and requested him specially to bear witness thereto and that he signed the same in the presence of the testator, Whereupon also came David E. Parker and M. J. Hart here into open Court, who being duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with the testator John M. Hart in his lifetime; that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time he made a declaration (which they, said Parker & Hart have reduced to writing and is attached to said will) to them that it was his wish that his will be so altered "as to give to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church the sum of five hundred dollars in gold, and appointing D. E. Parker and M. J. Hart Trustee" to dispose of it as they may deem best for the general interest of the church that he made said declaration in their presence, and requested them to be witness to the same - that the paper writing annexed to his will is substantially the declaration made by said testator in their presence: that they reduced the same to writing. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writings, be and the same are hereby set up and established as the last will & testament of the said John M. Hart, and that the same be recorded by the Clerk & filed.

Attest:

Jac H. Atkinson D.C.

Monday September 2 1872

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary Caldwell, deceased, was produced here into open court for probate whereupon Came Ned Miller and George Miller, subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with the testatrix in her lifetime. That she was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the execution of the same and that she signed and published the said paper writing as her last will and testament in their presence, and for the purposes therein contained, and requested them specially to bear witness thereto, and that they signed the same in the presence of the testatrix, and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last will and testament of the said Mary Caldwell deceased and that the same be recorded by the Clerk and placed on file"

Will recorded on Pages 196-7

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Last Will & John Hugueley
State of Tennessee Nos. 15 & 16 November Term County
County of Dyersburg Monday Nov 4 1872

This day a paper writing purporting to be the Last Will of John Hugueley dec'd was produced here in open Court for probate; whereupon came G. W. Blanckenship and W. G. Hugueley, subscribing witnesses thereto who after being first duly sworn deposed as follows; that they were personally acquainted with the testator in his lifetime; that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of making the said will; that he requested them specially to bear witness to the disposition he desired should be made of his estate; that his desire was made known to them shortly before his death, and that the said paper writing is a true record of said testator's declaration to them, having had the same reduced to writing as they understood it. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing be accepted and established as the last will of the said John Hugueley dec'd, and be recorded by the Clerk & filed.

In the Name of God Amen:

I John Hugueley of Dyersburg County Tennessee, being mindful of my Mortality, do this 9th day of October, in the year of Our Lord 1872 make & publish this my last will & testament, in manner following.

1st I bequeath all my real estate and personal property, after my just debt, are paid, to my Mother & Sister Martha, they having helped me to acquire said property & waiting upon me during my illness, also I do constitute & appoint my brother E. Hugueley to be executor of this my last will & testament.

G. W. Blanckenship, Witness
Signed Nov 9 1872 H. H. Hugueley, Witness
Attest: Jacob Hattam D.C.

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Last Will & of Ephraim Powers & dec'd and
Last Will Testament
of
Ephraim Powers, dec'd
In the year of Our Lord One
Thousands, Eight Hundred and Sixty
Six and a half Thousand Dollars Nine & Ephraim Powers being fully
Recorded of Jan 31st 1873 in this, but could in mind do make
Jacob Hattam D.C. this my last will and testament.

After my just debts are paid & all
and bequeath to my wife Martha Powers, all of my property con-
sisting of land, stock, house, help and kitchen furniture, during
her natural life, and after her death my estate shall be equally
divided between my two sons John and Ephraim Powers, dividing
the land east and west.

I leave my two sons John Powers and Ephraim Powers Ex-
ecutors to my estate and hereby except my Executors from
giving security - August 1st 1869

Ephraim Powers
mark

Hannah D. Harwell
J. Griffin
W. R. King

State of Tennessee December 1st of Comute Comute of
Dyersburg County Said Comute Monday December 2nd 1873

This day a Paper writing purporting to be the
Last Will and Testament of Ephraim Powers & dec'd was
presented here into open Court for probate, whereupon came
Thomas D. Harwell and Andrew Griffin, subscribing witnesses
thereto, who being duly sworn deposed and said that they
were personally acquainted with the testator in his lifetime,
that he was of sound and disposing memory at the time of the
execution of said paper writing, and that he signed and
published said paper writing as his last will and testament
in their presence and for the purposes therein contained and
requested them specially to bear witness thereto, and that they
signed the same in the presence of the testator and in the presence
of each other. This therefore ordered by the Court that said Paper
writing be an act of law as if it were set up and established as the last
will and testament of said Ephraim Powers & dec'd, and that
the same be recorded by the Clerk of Court.

Attest: Jacob Hattam D.C.