

This day came into open Court, C.V. Weller and S.P. Weller and presented for probate a writing purporting to be the last will and testament of T.F. Pitts, deceased, and the same being fully proven as the law requires, to be such last will and testament of the said T.F. Pitts, by the said C.V. Weller and S.P. Weller, subscribing witnesses thereto and said will requests that Annie Pitts, widow of the said T.F. Pitts, be permitted to qualify and execute said will without giving bond, and said will being in all respects unexcepted to, it is therefore confirmed by the Court, and ~~it is ordered by the Court~~ that the authority of said Annie Pitts as sole executrix of said will be and hereby is fully confirmed, and that said will and the order of the Court thereunto pertaining be duly recorded as the law requires in such cases by the Clerk of the Court. And that letters testamentary be issued to the said Annie Pitts in accordance with the request of said will and the order of the Court.

I, J. F. Pitts, of Cerro Gordo, Iowa,
do make and publish this my last
will and testament, hereby revoking all
former wills by me at any time made.
First; I direct that all my just debts
and funeral expenses be paid out of the
first monies which shall come to the hands
of my executor.

Second; Subject to the payment of my just
debts and funeral expenses, and the prece-
ding legacies hereinafter mentioned, I
give and bequeath to my beloved wife,
Annie Pitts, all of my estate and effects
of every character and description, abso-
lutely and without limitation or restric-
tion.

Third; It is my will and wish that
the affairs of the firm of Harbour & Pitts,
composed of my brother-in-law E. B.
Harbour and myself, including the stocks
or interests held by said firm in the
Harbour-Pitts Shoe Co., of Paducah, Ky.,
be settled and closed up as soon after
my decease as may be consistent with
the best interests of my estate and partners,
and that until the Cerro Gordo business
can be closed without sacrifice I desire
that it shall be continued by my executor.

and my said partner under our present contract, not, however, for a period exceeding six months, after my decease.

In settling up our business, both at Cms Gordo and Paducah, Ky, I rely upon my said partner and brother-in-law, & see that it is done in accordance with the terms of our written agreement under which we operated for five years originally at Cms Gordo, and which was continued by mutual agreement after the expiration of that period; and it is my wish that he pay over to my beloved wife my interest with as little delay as possible after the funds are realized and in condition to be paid over; and in the mean time that he advance to her whatever she may need for immediate wants, charging same to her to be accounted for in final settlement, & that she may suffer no inconvenience pending the final liquidation of our business.

Fourth; I give and bequeath to my sister Wannie C. Baker the sum of Five Hundred dollars, and to my brother W.B. Pitts the sum of Five Hundred dollars, to be paid them by my executor

out of the proceeds of my said partnership interests, when she shall have realized the same from my said partnership.

Fifth; In recognition of the disinterested and faithful attentions of my special friend, Daniel Gwinn, in my last sickness, and in grateful remembrance of his many kindnesses, I give and bequeath to him the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty dollars, to be paid by my executor in like manner as the above legacies to my sister and brother.

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and bequeath to him the sum of Two
Hundred and Fifty dollars, to be paid
by my executor in like manner
as the above legacies to my sister
and brother.

Sixth; To my father's faithful old
family servant, Zylus Pitts, colored,
in grateful remembrance of his de-
voted attentions to me, I give and
bequeath the sum of One Hundred
dollars, which I wish my beloved
wife to pay to him from time to
time and in such sums as, in
her judgement, his necessities may
require; and it is my wish that
my beloved wife look after him
and so far as practicable and she
may be able, see that he does not
suffer for the necessities of life.

and my said partner under our present contract, not, however, for a period

Lastly, I truly nominate and appoint my beloved wife Annie Pitts, executrix of this my will, and having all confidence in her integrity, I request that she be permitted to qualify and execute the same without bond.

In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name, at my home, Cino Gordo, Tempe, this the 16th day of November, 1898:

J. F. Pitts

Signed by the testator in our presence, and witnessed by us in his presence and at his request, the day and year above written.

C. V. Weller

S. P. Weller

J. F. Dill Hill
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In the name of God Amen
I Jesse Plummer being sick and weak
of body but of perfect mind and
memory Do make and decree this my last
will and testament in the words following
to wit—

1. I give my soul to God who gave it and my
body to be buried in a Christian manner
2. It is my will and desire that all my
just debts shall be paid and funeral
expenses
3. It is my will and desire that my beloved
wife ~~sa~~ Mary A. S. Plummer to have
the two beds ^{steads} and furniture that she
fetched to my house ~~when~~ we married
4. It is my will and desire that my Son
Orrisley B. Plummer have two beds bed
steads and furniture
5. It is my will and desire that my daughter
Elizabeth D. White to have one bed and
furniture
6. It is my will and desire that my Land
where I now live horses hogs cattle house
hold and kitchen furniture Poultry
farming utensils waggon gun and all
other things upon my premises with the
crop of corn and wheat excepting the
dower of my Wife for the next year

All the balance of the 6th article to be
sold to the highest bidder and the
proceeds to be equally divided between
my wife Mary A. S. Plummer my Son
Emley B. Plummer and Elisabeth T. White
my daughter

I do appoint N. W. Covey and Daniel
Purkins Executors of this my last will and
testament Revoking all others this 30th
of November 1856

Witness my hand and seal

Signed sealed and
delivered in presence of
Ape Powers -
C. S. M. Perkins.

Jege Plummer Seal

I Robert J Porter of
the County of Hardin and
State of Tennessee being of
Sound mind and disposing
memory do make and pub-
lish this my last will and
testament hereby revoking
and making void all other
wills by me at any time
made.

First It is my will and
desire that all my just
debts be paid and my
funeral Expenses as soon
after my death as may
be convenient,

Secondly

It is my will and
desire that after the
payment of my said debts

Robert J Porter
Will

1861

and funeral expenses
that my mother Eleanor
Porter have all the rest
and residue of my prop-
erty of every description
consisting of land, Slaves,
Stock of all kinds, debts
money & whatever else I
may die possessed of, for
and during the term of
her natural life, and
after her death it is
my will and desire that
The Sum and the profits we have signed the
thing of to go to and be given in the present
law to my Sister Eliza
with I Porter absolutely
to be for her sole and
separate use free from
the debts, contracts, or con-
traints of any husband
that she may marry

Thurdly

I do hereby name
make and appoint my
beloved mother & Sister
Elizabeth I Porter Exe-
cutrices of this my last
will and Testament
to be under my hand
and Seal this 28th day
of June 1861

R. J. Porter

Signed Sealed & published

at his usual abode
witnesses this 28th day of
June 1861

H. G. Black
A. M. Dargatz

Dr. J. A. Pross
will
filed and probated
May 12th 1894
Entered in will
Book no 2. Page 143
M. M. de la R.

La R. M. de

In the Name of God amen
I Dora Za Tsara of the County of Hardin
and State of Tennessee,

Being of a sound & disposing mind,
and memory, but feeble in health and
strength of body, as I am verging on,
or near eighty years old,
I therefore make and publish this as
my last will and testament, thereby
revoking all other wills, ever made
by me heretofore.

That is to say I give and Bequeath my
lot in the Town of Savannah, being and
lying and adjoining, the North West corner
of the public square, and the same lot
of ground, that was conveyed to me, by
Nelly Hooks on the 17th day of July 1874,
and 3rd day of May 1883, to the Boy George
Hatt, the son of Mary Lane Hatt, and
said to be my child by her, which fact
I admit to be true, and should be
that it is my ^{will} that the lot, shall go
to the said Mary Lane Hatt, his mother
at my death, and as I am very feeble
at times from old age & subject to
spells & confinements, the said Mary
Lane has agreed to wait on me, and
take care of me, when I am in that

Conditions and to board me, while I live, and
have me buried when I die, but
the lot to be under my control
while I live,

Sept 19th 1889

Due ^{his} J. G. Tsara
mark

Test

G. M. Hamilton

A. M. Hamilton

I Mary Lane Kett after having the will of
J. G. Tsara read & explained to me
agree for the consideration set out in
said will to my son George & myself to
furnish for a room at my house to keep
in at night feed him through the day
and when sick or down

I Mary Lane Holt after hearing the Will of
Ann. G. Deara Read & explained to me
agree for the considerations set out in
said will. to my son George & myself, to
furnish G. a Room at my house to stay
in at night, feed him through the day
and when sick or down with any
all of his spells, to take good care of
him, by waiting on him & having it done,
and I further agree that should I fail or
refuse to perform the duties above set
forth, I thereby forfeit all Right to the bequests
in said will, &c

Sept 19th 1889

Test

G. M. Hamilton

H. M. Hamilton

Mary Lane Holt
mark

The above will was duly proven
by H. M. Hamilton one of the subscribing
witnesses Jan. 12th 1890 who after
being duly sworn says that he was
called on to witness the above will and
that Prager was in his right mind
that this will was the only will
he ever made &c,

Knowing the certainty of death
and the uncertainty of life I hereby
make my last will and testament.
It is my will and desire that at my

death my son, W. F. Prier, receive all
my effects - my sheep, horses, cattle &
and all my household and kitchen
furniture & effects of every kind and
all lands belonging to me in Hardin
Co Texas which lands are as follows
Two hundred acres, more or less,
in Hardin Co Texas in Range 6 Sec 1
District 10. It being the land on

which I have for many years made
my home. For further description
see deed by N. H. Kendrick to Mrs. Prier
recorded in deed book page

It is my desire and intention to make
my son W. F. Prier my sole heir after
my death to every thing I possess after
my debts are paid.

Witness my hand and seal this 20th day of May 1894.
A. W. B. Prier
mark

Attest
A. R. Kendrick

Witness with
C. P. Hester

C. Kendrick

J. P. Painter

State of Mississippi
County of Adams

Personally appeared before me R. J. Raper
a member of the Board of Supervisors
of Said County and State. A. W. B. Price
who acknowledged that he signed, sealed
and delivered the foregoing Will and Testament
for the purpose therein contained, as his
act - This the 26th day of May, 1894.
R. J. Raper M. B. S. (Seal)

Will of A. W. B. Price

March 1904

Given by A. W. B. Price
Produced by
Me in presence of

the will was
affirmed by
the law

A. W. B. Price
J. J. Partridge

The location and
it was observed
where in this way as
revised memory

to do and act, as if he was
acting for his self;

This the 13th day of June 1888,

Witness

W. R. Duall
R. F. Prison

Arch. Duall
mark

Arch. Duall

W. R.

Henry Duall

Adm. Prison

Charles Lee

I Arch Soules, being of
sound mind, know that I
must soon leave all that is near
and dear to me ~~and~~, do hereby
will and begeth to my
beloved wife Rachel Soules
all of my property both real
and personal, except as hereafter
named, during her widowhood
or life, and then, for all to
be sold and divided equally
with my Children, I wish that
~~at her death~~, for my Son
Stephens Children at my wife
death or marriage, to have five
dollars apiece, and my Son
John to have the mule now
that he claimed to be his, also
for him to buy him a new
Saddle out my effects,
and I do hereby appoint Henry
Austin my Administrator to
settle all ~~my~~ claims that may
be produced, and if there is not
money sufficient to pay all claims
he must sell such property as
he thinks best and pay them,
and I wish ^{him} to take charge and
manage as he thinks best,

Stephen H. Qualls

1886



Stephen, H. Loucks
Mill,

Filed July the 4th
1888

Filed Paid 8100

Forced by James Smith

I know all men by these presents
That I Stephen H. Inness of
the State of Tennessee and the
County of Hardin, being at my
right mind, and feeling that I
soon must leave all that dear
earth to me, do will and
bequeath unto my wife, beloved
my home place on which I
now live, and the my children my
land lying upon the waters of
Hollands Creek, and I further
appoint my Father Arch Inness
as my sole executor to wind up
all of my business, to see my
black land and to pay all of my
just debts and such other
stock as he thinks necessary, and
to be all as he thinks best to do,
and also my place known as the
Felt Sharp place to go to my
children, I now leave all of my
earthly affairs to my Father to
do as he thinks right, for my wife
and children.

This the 2nd day of July 1886
Witness, I Stephen H. Inness
Harry Lamb
Abraham Inness,

Tom T. Res.

1866



Will of Tom. A. Rea, Deceased

Filed and Probated June
Dom. June 4th 1866.

I Tom. A. Rea of the County of Haden
and State of Tennessee being of Sound
Mind and Memory, and Considering the
uncertainty of the frail transitory life
do therefore make, ordain publish and
declare this to be my last Will and Testa-
ment 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 wit, To my Sisters Lydia Jane Rea
Joannah Horrell, Sallie Ducker, to
those three above mentioned I grant the
property equally divided between them,
To my Sister Elizabeth Jane Campbell
I will the amount of five dollars -
Sixth of property, Two Tracts of land
one of them containing (140) One hundred
and forty acres, & one (167) one hundred
and Sixty Seven acres. lying on the East
Side of the Tenn River, in the 6th Civil
District, One Tract of land containing
(200) One hundred acres lying on the West
Side of Tenn River in the 10th Civil District
One hunting Case Silver Watch I will to
Jeff Ducker, Likewise I make, constitute,

and appoint my friends S. S. Ducker
Thomas Maxmire, & J. McNeill to be
Executors of this my last will and
Testament, hereby revoking all wills by
me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto
Subscribed my name and affixed my Seal
this the 1st day of September Eighteen
hundred Sixty Two. I also hold one
note against S. J. McNeill for (\$18.50)
one hundred and Eighteen dollars, and fifty
cents, of which I want dispose of
and appropriate with the other prop-
erty to my three Sisters

W. M. Sebra

J. P. Rea (Seal)

S. S. Christian (witness)

State of Tennessee } County Court June
Shelby County, - 3 June 1866

A paper writing purpor-
ting to be the last will and Testament of
J. P. Rea, was this day produced in
open Court for Probate and Record
Then came into Court W. M. Sebra one of
the Subscribing witnesses thereto, who was
duly sworn, and upon whose testimony the
same was proven to be the last will
and Testament of J. P. Rea deceased

and the same is admitted to probate and
Record.

State of Tennessee }
Shelby County } J. P. Logan
Clerk of the County

Clerk of Shelby County Tennessee do
hereby Certify that the above and
foregoing is a full and correct

A paper writing purpor-
ting to be the last will and Testament of
Dom. J. Rea, was this day produced in
open Court for Probate and Record
Then Came into Court W. H. Sebra one of
the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, who was
duly sworn, and upon whose testimony the
Same was proven to be the last will
and Testament of Dom. J. Rea deceased

and the Same is admitted to probate and
Record

State of Tennessee
Shelby County

John League
Clerk of the County
Court of Shelby County Tennessee do
hereby Certify that the above and
 foregoing is a full and perfect
Copy of the will of Dom. J. Rea deceased
the original of which is on file in my
office also of all proceedings had in
the County Court at its June Term 1866
regarding the probate of Same

Witness John League
Clerk at office in Memphis
Tenn and Seal of office this
7th day of June 1866
John League Clerk
By J. M. M. Sec.

Tom N. Rea. secy
Copy of will

Enclosed

Chas. J. J. J.

Alexander Richardson

Will of

1886



Alexander Richardson
Will
Clerk fee 25th Oct

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State of Tennessee? Being Sound, in
Hardin County, Mind and Memory
I make and declare this my last
Will and Testament in matter and
form as follows.

I give and Bequeath to Andrew
H. Stricklin, my lands that I now live
on, lying on the waters of Horse Creek
in the 7th Civil District in Said County
of Hardin and State of Tennessee
and containing Sixty Acres more or
less. I make this my last Will and Testament
and the said Andrew H. Stricklin is
to take care of me my lifetime. As during
my natural life, and I make and
appoint, Andrew H. Stricklin my
Executor to this my last Will and
Testament, revoking all former Wills
by me made in writing. Whereof I have
hitherto set my hand and affixed my
Seal this August 31st 1880
Witness
H. H. Cherry
A. S. McCoy
Alexander Richardson
marks

STATE OF TENNESSEE - HARDIN COUNTY.

P

the Court

I know all men by these presents,
 That I Alexander Richardson of
 the County of Hardin and State of
 Tennessee, being of sound mind,
 do hereby will and bequeath unto
 John McCoy three hundred and
 fifty dollars in money, provided
 always, That the said John
 McCoy, do agree and covenant
 with me for the above money
 described, That he will take care
 of me my Natural life time, and
 that I am to live with him, and
 he do bind his self and mine to
 stand &c, That he will clothe and
 feed me Comphartible, and adminis-
 ister to all of my Nissary wants,
 and after death he must see me
 buried Respectfully, and the said
 McCoy is to have the use of said
 money from this date, to use it
 in any way he sees proper,
 Given under my hand and seal
 This the 12th day of August 1889.

Witness
 Eli Cherry
 J. Stricklin

Alexander Richardson
 mark

STATE OF TENNESSEE,
 HARDIN COUNTY.
 Personally appeared before me, Will J. Watson,
 Clerk of the County Court of said County,
 and Eli Cherry
 subscribing witnesses to the attached
 who being first duly sworn deposes and say that they are personally acquainted with
 Alexander Richardson the bargainer, and that he
 acknowledged the same in their presence to be
 act and deed for the purpose therein
 contained.
 Witness my hand at office this 13 day of Aug. 1889.
 Will J. Watson, Clerk.

Major Robertson

1864

State of Tennessee
I, Major Robertson Do make and Publish
this as my Last Will and Testament
Verily Revoking and making void all others
before me at any time Made
First I Direct that my Funeral Expenses
and all my Debts Be Paid as soon
after my Death as Possible out of any
Monies that I may Die Possessed of or
may Hereafter come into the Hands of
my Executors Secondly I Give and Bequeath
all to my son James Thomas Robertson
and his heirs forever Thirdly I Give and
Bequeath to my son William Labrey
Robertson my negro slave Berrill
also a certain Piece or Parcel of Land off
the North East Corner of my Land
beginning at my North East Corner
and running with a line I have
marked I until it strikes his Land
on which he now Lives
Fourthly I Give and Bequeath to my
son William Robertson my negro
slave Jack also my land and a white
horse I now have all But a certain
Piece or Parcel off the North East Corner
of my land which I now Give to my
son William Labrey Robertson Further
it is my Will that said William Robertson
Take care of and find a Name for my
four granddaughters Sarah Elizabeth
Frieder Martha Finner a daughter of

Isabel Jane Harwood as long as they
remain single Fifthly it is my Will
that my daughter Emily Eleanor Boyd and her
Bodily Heirs Five Dollars sixthly I
will give Bequeath to my daughter
Friend Agnes Five ~~to~~ her Bodily heirs
Five Dollars seventhly I will and
Bequeath to my daughter Martha
Five Dollars eighthly I will and
Bequeath to my daughter Bertha
Five Dollars ninthly I will that the two
daughters Fanny & Minerva Bee
may be possessed of my property
after my death and
Be divided equally between my daugh-
ters as that said Mary may Bee
at my death Mary Jane Harwood
& Elizabeth Ann Barnett & Elvira Kinder
or their Bodily Heirs Lastly I do hereby
nominate and appoint R. H. Roberts
and J. L. Campbell my Executors in
Witness Where of I do to this my
17 Day of June 1864

Witness my hand and seal this
17 Day of June 1864
Signed sealed & published in our presence
and we have subscribed our names
heto in the presence of the Testator
R. H. Roberts
James J. Roberts

Know all Persons to whom it
may concern. That I William Robinson
do make this my last Will and Testament
First, I want all of my Debts and
Burial expenses payed as soon after
my Death as Convenient. Second I do
hereby Will and bequeath all of my
Perishable Property Consisting of my
Farming Tools one Wagon one fourth
interest in my Sargo Mill To my
two Children namely E. H. Gantt
and J. B. Robinson, 3rd my half interest
in the Mill tracts of Land To my four
Children namely E. H. Gantt H. E.
Robinson J. B. Robinson and A. J. Wingo
Fourth, I have divided my Land among
my Children and given to each of them
as follows. my Daughter E. H. Gantt
Got E. H. T. valued at Three hundred
dollars. Got 1/2 to my son W. D. Robinson
valued at Three hundred dollars. Got 1/2
to my Daughter Alice F. Robinson valued
at Three hundred dollars Got E. H. to my
Daughter Martha A. Wingo valued at
One hundred and Forty dollars also
13 1/2 acres of Land in Johnson County Texas
valued at Two hundred and two dollars

and a half also Forty dollars worth
of Gunther linen her in Texas also
I give and bequeath her Five dollars
in Money after my Death. Lot No. 5.
to James B. Robinson valued at Three
hundred dollars. Lot No. 6. to my Daughter
H. E. Robinson valued at Three hundred
dollars. The titles of all of the above
named Lots to take effect after my
death, also I give and bequeath to J. B.
Robinson and W. B. Wilson and Wife the
balance of my Land West and North
of Lot No. 4. My Daughter S. H. Gantt
is to have the use of timber on said
land as she wants it. ~~to satisfy a debt of~~
~~to satisfy a debt of~~
Last I leave to my Daughter S. H. Gantt and
James B. Robinson to support me while I
live and after all of my Debts after
my Death if any without any
Administration.

I further give and bequest to
my Son W. B. Robinson the privilege
of the use of Timber on the Land lying
North of Lot No. 4 for Mill purposes
This the 17th day of February A.D. 1886

Witnesses

J. Milton
E. G. Gance

State of
Harden
My Ed. C.
Said Court
Milton
Witnesses
who being
and said
acquainted
Roberts
that he is
presence,
attached
date it
Witnesses
This the

William Robinson
Witnesses
J. Milton Smith
E. G. Yancy

State of Tennessee } Personally
Hardin County } appeared before
Mr. Eli Cherry a Notary Public of
Said County, E. G. Yancy and
Milton Smith, Subscribing,
witnesses to the within Will,
who being first sworn, deposed
and said that was personally
acquainted with William
Robinson Deceased, and
that he acknowledged in their
presence, that he executed the
attached Will, upon the day and
date it bears date,
Witness my hand and Seal
This the 3rd day of March 1884,
Eli Cherry,
Notary Public.

Robinson's
Wall
C. W. S. P. Paid
8/25

W. H. M. M. C. S. P.
at 12 School St.
L. H. M. C. S. P.
Register

Know all men by these presents that I
D B Rose of Hardin County Tennessee being
of ill Health but of Sound mind do make
this my last will and Testament hereby revoking
all former wills here before by me at any time
made
and ~~all~~ my worldly Estate and property Real
and personal or mixed that I may die possessed
of or am Entitled to at the time of my decease
I devise and bequeath and dispose thereof
in the manner following To wit
1st That all my funeral Expenses be paid
by my Executors as soon as convenient for them
To ~~be~~ ~~do~~
2nd That I will and bequeath To my wife
Sallie D Rose all my property and Effects
after all my just debts are paid
3rd That my wife Sallie D Rose and
Dawsey B Thomas be my Executors To this
my last will and Testament
4th and that I request that Dawsey B
Thomas sell all my Real Estate and pay
the proceeds to my wife Sallie D Rose
this the 15th day of March 1880 D B Rose Seal

Signed and Sealed by
the said D B Rose
this his last will and
Testament and we in
his presence and in the
presence of Each other
Subscribe our names as
witnesses thereto

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Know all men by these presents that I
D B Rose of Hardin County Tennessee being
of ill health but of sound mind do make
this my last will and Testament hereby revoking
all former wills here before by me at any time
made
and all my worldly Estate and property real
and personal or mixed that I may die possessed
of or am Entitled to at the time of my death
I bequeath and bequeath and dispose thereof
in the manner following To wit
1st That all my funeral Expenses be paid
by my Executor as soon is convenient for them
To do so
2nd That I will and bequeath to my wife
Sallie D Rose all my property and Effects
after all my just debts are paid
3rd That my wife Sallie D Rose and
Dawsey B Thomas be my Executors to this
my last will and Testament
4th and that I request That Dawsey B
Thomas sell all my real Estate and pay
the proceeds to my wife Sallie D Rose
this the 19th day of March 1891 D B Rose Seal

Agreed and Seal by
the said D B Rose
his last will and
Testament and we in
his presence and in the
presence of each other
Subscribe our names as
witnesses thereto

A J Hall
D W Howell

In the name of God Amen

I Sarah Rose of the County of Hardin
and State of Tennessee Considering that
I am mortal do make and ordain this my
last will and testament in the manner
following Viz And 1st I Commaend my
soul into the hands of God who gave it
and my body to be interred in a Christian
manner at the discretion of my heirs 2nd
I allow my funeral expenses and all my
Just debts to be Paid out of my personal
Estate 3^d I allow my daughter Elizabeth
Snow to have my land and plantation
on which I now live on the south side of
the Creek I also allow her to have one third
of my stock of hogs and my pidge cow and
calf and my dun cow and calf and the two
little oxen I also allow her to have her
claim in the household and kitchen furn
ture 4th I allow my daughter Martha
Benham to have the horse yesse by her
~~pay~~ her paying ten dollars to the Estate
as I have never gave her a saddle and
the Rest of my personal and Real
Estate be sold and the proceeds be
equally divided among all my heirs
Elizabeth Snow Excepted

in testimony hereof I have set my
hand and seal this 14th of December
1843 in presence of us this day, and
date above written.

Test: Daniel Watson

Sarah ^{her} Rose
mark

Margaret Hudson

Witness by hand Margaret Hudson

Dec 14 1843

I Isaac W. Kops being of sound mind
 and disposing memory make this
 my last will and Testament That
 a sufficient of money that may be in
 hands or the first collected be appropriate
 for my burial expenses
 I further will that my executor as soon
 as convenient after my death proceed
 to collect all moneys due me
 and if there should not be a suffi-
 ciency to pay all my indebtedness
 sell perishable property sufficient
 to pay all my debts on such terms
 as he may think best
 For the love and affection I have
 for my son Ansel W. Kops I do ad-
 vance and will to him Fourteen
 hundred and forty five dollars
 in money and two cattle at
 one hundred dollars Two beds
 and furniture at thirty dollars
 One bureau at fifteen dollars
 1 cow and calf at fifteen dollars
 1 Sow & Pigs at five dollars and
 one ewe and lamb at two dollars
 This being the full amount of
 all the advancements made
 by me to my son it is the Kops
 For the love and affection I have
 for my daughter Mary E. Kops I have
 this day allotted to my her one
 hundred and ten ^{acres} of land to be laid
 off on the North side of my lands
 beginning on a white oak on the
 bank of Tennessee river thence up
 the river and then east to the extreme
 east boundary then North & West
 to the beginning so as to include
 said one hundred and ten acres

which I value in division of my
estate at Fourteen hundred and
forty five dollars in ~~divisions~~ ~~of my~~
~~estate~~ also 1 mare and mule ~~valued~~
valued at Seventy five dollars 1
More calf at Seventy five dollars
2 Bees and Furniture at Thirty
dollars 1 ~~Barren~~ Bureau at Fifteen
dollars 1 cow and calf at Twelve
dollars this being the full amount
of my advancement to her up
to this date to make her equal
in advancements with my son
Amos H. Ross

For the love and affection I have for
my wife Mary Elizabeth Ross I will
and bequeath to her the remainder
of my lands and all the property
belonging to me ^{and} at my death after
the payment of all my debts
during her life time or ~~widow~~ widowhood
and then I will that all the stock and
property remaining on hand to be disposed
of by my executor as he may think best
except the household furniture in which
I want divided between my son Amos
H. Ross and ^{daughter} Mary E. Ross

I further will that the proceeds arising
from the sale of the ~~stock~~ ^{equally divided} and other
personal property be paid to ~~my son Amos~~
H. Ross and my daughter Mary E. Ross to have
and lands attached to her adjoining the list
I have already set apart so as to
include the ~~business~~ ^{allotted to my daughter} where I now live
to be ~~divided~~ ^{equally divided} between
to make her equal to ~~him~~ ^{my son} in the
amount of cash he may receive from
the proceeds of ~~the~~ and the remainder of
the lands to be equally divided between
my son Amos H. Ross & my daughter Mary E. Ross

and the la
between my
and my d
ess as to
Mary E. Ross
I now res
the fact I
for her
I hereby
My son
to execute
last will
I hereby
my executor
give bond
This deed
I'm witness
set my

Witness of J. Walker
J. R. Ross

and the lands to be equally divided
between my son Ansel H. Rapp
and my daughter Mary E. Rapp
so as to include to my daughter
Mary E. Rapp the buildings where
I now reside and adjoining
the lot I have already set apart
for her

I hereby appoint for my executor
my son Ansel H. Rapp
to execute and carry out this my
last will and testament

I hereby waive the necessity of
my executor being required to
give bond or security

This December the 11th 1871

In witness here ~~at~~ this day
set my hand and seal

Witness
J. C. Walker
J. M. Rapp

J. M. Rapp

Know all Persons by these
presents that I Jane
Sanders do make this
my last Will and Testament.
First I want Mr S. R. Young
as soon as I am dead to
sell all of the property
that I am possessed of
and pay all of my just
debts and what is left to
be ~~separated~~ divided with my
three youngest children
William Ellis Hadden
Jimmie, that the three
shall be equal
This April 27 1855

Proven by Mrs Mary Young.
On the 14 day of June
1885

A Pitt
Chairman

I Alexander Sloan do make this as my
last Will and Testament

I first will that my funeral Expenses
be paid and further will that all my
just debts be paid

and I ~~that all~~ want all the money collected
that is owing me and paid on my debts
and I want all my Personal property sold
Except what I will here after dispose of

I also want a sufficient amount of my Real
Estate sold to pay all my just debts

Further will that the Remainder of my Real Estate
be Equally divided between the within named

B. H. Sloan, Clarry Sloan and Elizabeth

Sloan and I want the above named to have my
bay horse and ten hds of my best hogs and one

cow & calf and I want Clarry and Elizabeth

to have bread & meat cloathing each I also want

the above named ~~B. H.~~ B. H. & Clarry & Elizabeth

to have my Antim Corn crop & vegetables and what

cooking utensils I have on hand
and all so all my hay on hand

I further will that my son John A. Sloan
have the sum of five dollars which is
paid I want my son J. W. Stone to have
five dollars which is paid I want my son
Alexander Stone Jr. to have five dollars which
is paid and to my daughter R. P. Oldham to
have five dollars which is paid and
I want my son R. M. Stone to have five
dollars which is paid and want my
daughter to have M. J. Ruth to have five
dollars which is paid
and I hereby appoint John Pitts
my Executor of this my last will and
testament this the 14th day of September

1879

Signed in presence of

J. J. Bivins

A. Pitts

A. P. Burham

J. A. Stone

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X

Brown

A. Sloan

Hardin County Tenn Feb 8th 1880
I Charles Smith of said County and State aforesaid
And understanding and impressed with the great
uncertainty of life and the certainty of death I do
Make and Publish this my last will and testam-
ent hereby revoking all former wills by me at
any time heretofore made First I hereby
Constitute and appoint Daniel M. Smith &
Samuel G. Sickey To be sole Executors of ~~my~~
my last will directing my said Executors to
Pay all my just debts and funeral Expenses
And the Legacies hereinafter given out of my
Estate Secondly after the Payment of my debts
and funeral Expenses I give to my daughter
Amanda Duncan five dollars in money also
To my daughter Louisa Hardin one Bed also
To my daughter Gertrude Russel one Bed also
To the heirs of my daughter Mary C. Smith
Deceased five dollars in money and also To my
son P. A. Smith one Bed and also To my son
Daniel M. Smith all the Balance of my real
and Personal Estate ^{with all of my right hold & interest} unless ~~he~~ ^{he} should not live to
take possession or have no heirs then it is my
Will for my daughter Louisa Hardin and ^{her} heirs
to have it all this my last will and Testament
Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of
J. W. Davis }
H. K. Sickey } Test Clarissa ^{his} Smith ^{full}
mark

John A. Smith

1892



Dec 24 1892

I John H. Smith. Make and Publish this My
last will and Testament Making void
all former wills by me made at any
time written or spoken. I direct that my
funeral expenses be first paid out of any
monies that I have. and then to pay all of
my Just debts out of whatever effects
that may go into my Executors hands.
Then I give to my Two Children Rella and
Eugene Each a horse Saddle & Bridle if they
should not get them in their possession
before I die. And I direct that my lands
and Indian Creek known as the Northcut
land be sold at private sale leaving it
optional as to time with my Executors
when to sell it. and the proceeds of Sale go
to my wife for her to use as she may see
proper. And I give to my wife Sarah
Jane my home place and all the land there
belonging to me to her during her life and
if she should die before her Sister Minnie
then it go to Minnie Johnson during her
natural life. and at her death to be equally
divided between all of my Children or
their heirs. but would say for that that
it would not pass out of the family.