

of conveyance bearing date October 9th 1821 and by which I conveyed in trust to said negro, Carriage and horse, to the use of the said Nancy to make an absolute deed of conveyance on Bill of Sale to her for the said property or so much thereof as may be expressed in the said deed of date 9th October 1821.

Item. It is my will and desire that my Executors hereinafter named as soon after my death as convenient, discharge all my debts and funeral expenses, and in the next place proceed to sell all my estate, real, as well as personal. The real on a credit of one, two and three years, and the personal on a credit of one year, except all such parts or pieces of property as I may hereinafter otherwise dispose of.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Sister, Jane Hinkaid, daughter of David and Mary Hinkaid a certain woman named Hilly, the name of whom I obtained by my marriage with Rebecca Hinkaid, sister to the said Jane Hinkaid, which said woman with all her present and future increase of children jointly excepted, I bequeath and assign to the said Jane and the issue of her body lawfully begotten, but in the event of her death without such issue, living any one or more of her brothers and sisters, then the said Hilly and her children or heirs bequeathed to the said Jane Hinkaid, shall descend to and become the property of such surviving brother and sister, share and share alike, no manner in common and not as joint tenants.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Rebecca McNamee, daughter of John and Nancy Long of Newbury, the said Hilly above excepted.

Item. It is my will and direction that the residue of my estate be divided between the said daughter of my brother and sister, lawfully begotten, I have and share alike, except to my niece Hilly McNamee to whom I have given such a portion of my New Canton tract as I consider will be fully equal to her and her husband Robert McNamee's interest in my whole estate.

Item. I will and direct that my Executors pay to the trustees of McNamee Academy in the County of Hawkins for the use of said Academy the sum of three hundred dollars.

Item. I will and direct that my Executors when I do not make the donation myself, present to my friends hereafter named named the following Articles of property, to wit: To Sarah Lamm daughter of James Lewis Esquire one set of Silver Tableware with the initials of her name Hinkaid. To Hannah Coghen a like donation. To Abigail Lamm a like donation. To Mary Williams daughter of James E. Williams a like donation. To Mollie Williams daughter of the said James E. Williams an Supper for her. To Mrs. Mary Rogers wife of

Rogersville one black silk shawl. To Richard Mitchell my son one set of Hilly & Mitchell my child. To Joseph McNamee Lamm a riding horse worth one hundred dollars.

Lastly, I do hereby name and appoint my trusty friends Col. John Williams of Knox County and Orville & Bradley Esquire of Hawkins County, Executors to this my last Will & Testament, and direct that they need not give security as required by act of Assembly. The witnesses aforesaid I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixth day of November 1824.

At & the following words were written on the second page between the twenty eighth and twenty ninth lines on said page before signing, sealing and delivering thereof to wit: Except to my niece Hilly McNamee to whom I have given such a portion of my New Canton tract as I consider will be fully equal to her and her husband Robert McNamee's interest in my whole estate.

Joseph McNamee
Signed, sealed, published and declared in presence of us by the said Joseph McNamee to be his last Will & Testament.

James Cowan James E. Bredon
John L. McNamee Jas. E. Williams
Wm. H. Cowan Jas. Mitchell

Will of Elizabeth Moore.

Dated Feb. 28. 1825.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Elizabeth Moore of the County of Newfane State of Tennessee being in sound sense and memory do make this my last Will and Testament. Item. I give and devise with my daughter Eliza Pitts War a negro girl named Charlotte. Item. I give and devise with my daughter Sally McNamee the tract of land whereon I now live, also a negro girl named Manning. Item. I give my negro Belle the balance of my estate I give to be equally divided between Hugh & Morris Gilman Moore Clean Moore and Moore John Moore heirs, Elizabeth York & Sally Williams. And lastly, I appoint my son Joseph E. Moore & my son Clean Moore to execute this my last Will and Testament. Signed, sealed and delivered this 28th day of February 1825 in presence of

Daniel Taylor
James Taylor
William Taylor

Elizabeth Moore

Will of John McBroome

Dated June 22 1828

In the name of God, Amen.

I John W. Brown of the County of Newbury & State of Massachusetts being sick and weak in body but of sound & disposing mind, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, hereby by this writing prepared to leave this world which shall please God to call me hence, do hereby give and publish this my last will & Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say, First and principally, I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God & my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named & with my debts & funeral charges are paid &c. Item, I give and devise & bequeath unto my eldest son James W. Brown five dollars together with what he has received more than a proportional share of said sum. I give and bequeath unto my eldest daughter Polly five dollars together with what she has received a full proportional share of said sum. I give and devise unto my son John W. Brown & his heirs all that a certain tract or portion, all the tract of land that I now live on, that lies on the North side of the Eastern 2^d & 3^d road, & has and to hold each and severally to them & heirs in fee simple.

I am, I now, devise unto my daughter, Jane McBrown, all the
 part of land that I heretofore owned that lies on the East side of
 the Garden Valley road, to have & hold, in fee simple. Now, I devise
 & bequeath all the rest & residue of my estate, that is the money
 proceeds of the sale of my property after my death, to be equally di-
 vided between my son, Abraham, & daughter, Jane McBrown in shares
 and share alike, with the exception of one more woman called and
 known by the name of Peggy, which I wish to free as follows: of
 all whom I have concern, be it known that I, John McBrown
 of the County of Worcester, for diverse good causes, consid-
 erations, release from Slavery, liberate, manumitted & set free
 & hereby persons do hereby release liberate, manumitted from
 Slavery my negro woman named Peggy. I do therefore declare
 to be free and discharged from all manner of servitude forever
 after my death. And lastly, I do hereby, constitute Abner Looney
 & Jacob O. Groves to be sole Executors of the my last Will and Tes-
 tament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore
 made, ratifying & confirming this and nothing to be my last Will & Tes-
 tament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal
 this 22nd day of January 1828.

John^{nr} McCrory Seal

Signed, Read, published & declared by John McBroome, Testator named Testator as and for his last Will & Testament, in the presence of us also at his request in his presence in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses this

Alfred
Aaron Williams
John Charles
Andrew Gaudy,

Abraham D Looney
Jacob B Groves
Executors

Will of Christian Messer

Dated May 28. '82

I Christian Messor of Hawkins County and State of Tennessee
being in sound mind and having a desire to dispose of my
worldly affairs while I possess a full strength of mind, I con-
stitute this my last Will and Testament. After commending
my body to the dust and my soul to God I do dispose of my
worldly property as follows to wit:
In the first place I allow my just debts to be paid. I will
and bequeath to my wife Betty Messor her maintenance of the
tract of land I now live on during her lifetime. I will and
bequeath to my three sons Jacob Messor, John Messor and
Isaac Messor the tract of land I now live on to be equal di-
vided among them. And I moreover allow my three sons
Jacob John and Isaac within twelve months after my de-
cease to pay each of my other children the sum of five dollars.
I also allow my real estate property and stock to be sold and
equally divided amongst the wife of my children. And I do
appoint William Henry Starnes, David and Samuel Mc
Waters Executors of this my last Will and Testament.
Given under my hand and seal this twelfth eighth
day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and twenty one.
Signed and sealed in the presence of
Christian Messor
man

hundred and twenty one
 Acres and Sold in the
 practice of
 James Hanna, Jacob Senick
 John Soule. 1843

Christian Messer Seal

Will of Samuel Mowsey

Dated, Aug 31, 1832

In the name of God Amen

The 31st day of August in the year of our Lord 1832, I Samuel Mowsey of the County of Newlin and State of Tennessee being sick and weak in body but sound in mind and memory, and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following viz: My body to be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner at the direction of my Executor herein after named, and my soul I give to God who created and gave it, and my earthly estate I give and bequeath as followeth First I allow all my just debts to be paid. Second I give my personal estate that may remain after paying my debts as follows To my sister Nancy my Bay horse and what may afterwards remain to be equally divided between my other three sisters Sally Martha & Nancy. And my land I give to my mother during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided between my other three sisters. Lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my friend Charles Mowsey my Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed published and declared Samuel Mowsey
in presence of
Wanda M. Williams
Andrew Calbraith Secy.
Nelson Brooks.

Will of Henry McCollough

Dated Mar 20, 1834

May Term 1834

I Henry McCollough Senior of the County of Newlin and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament in the following manner

First I give and bequeath to my son Alexander McCollough the plantation where I now live together with all my horses and hogs and farming utensils of every description whatsoever, and my till and wheels belonging thereto, one bed and furniture called his and one cabinet name with its furniture.

2. I give to my daughter Nancy McCollough all my household furniture of every description together with all my cash, and my

job metal, and that to be divided equally between Alexander and Nancy. Alexander is to pay my son Adam McCollough a horse tract to be worth fifty dollars when said Henry is twenty one years of age. The horse to value equal to good trade. Alexander and Nancy to pay all my just debts equally between them out of their respective shares. I have little given to my son William a mare and I was to have the colt. ^{NANCY} I allow to Henry. Lastly I do constitute and appoint my brother Joseph McCollough my Executor and to enter on the Administration with out giving security. In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal the 20th day of March 1834.

Signed sealed in
the presence of
Jonathan Haffner,
John L. Deal,
James Morlan.

Will of Solomon Mitchell

Dated, Jan 31, 1837

I Solomon Mitchell of the State of Tennessee and Newlin County being of sound and disposing memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, revoking all other wills heretofore by me made. In the first place, I give and bequeath unto my wife Nancy Mitchell all my estate if she should survive me that is all my personal and real property or estate of every kind whatever of every debt due or owing that I may be seized and possessed of, to have and to enjoy her life time. Secondly, I desire that at both our deaths I desire that my two slaves Betty and James may receive their freedom, and I do hereby order that and my wife Nancy Mitchell death give them their freedom, that is I desire that my Executor may get a special act of Assembly passed if it can be done for them to receive their freedom according to the tenor of this my last Will and Testament. If they do not receive their freedom as above stated I give and bequeath the above named slaves to John Mitchell my son forever that is in the following manner I give the service of said two slaves to him one day in each week forever and the other five days of each week during his life time I give to said two slaves. During their service to him I desire he shall not depart with said two slaves or make his

death of them away. Thirdly, At my death and wife death I
give and bequeath with my share children, that is to say Rebecca
Lewis, Jesse Brewster, Nancy, Robert Morris, Elizabeth, Polly,
Susannah, Richard, Dido, Catherine, David. I give and be-
queath with my son John Mitchell all my property which I have
not before disposed of of every kind whatever that I may be
enjoyed and possessed forever. I constitute and appoint John
Mitchell my Executor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 31st day of January 1837
Signed, Maria and delivered in
the presence of us:
William Tidlow
Marshall W. West
Wm. Walker

John Mitchell
my

Unexecuted Will of Sarah Moray
Dated Aug 27 1837

Unexecuted Will
We, John Walker and John D. Moray, do hereby certify that the
unexecuted Will of Sarah Moray was made by her on the 12th day of
August 1837 in our presence, to which we were specially required to
witness by the testator herself in the presence of each other that it was
in her last sickness at the house of Ruth Moray where she had
resided for several weeks previous to her death and the same is as
follows (viz) It was her Will and desire that her effects should
be disposed of after her decease in the following manner
First, Her pocket and jewelry that Martha Moray her niece should
have her best.
Secondly, That her clothes should be equally divided between Martha Moray
and Elizabeth Moray her nieces.
Thirdly, She stated that she had put into the hands of Ezekiah Davis
for collection about the sum of four dollars and it was her wish
that James Hill should be paid out of that money, what she owed
him. And that her Uncle John Moray should have the balance
made out by us and signed this 24th day of August 1837
John Walker
John D. Moray

Will of Phoebe Mayo
Dated Jan 10 1837

I Phoebe Mayo being of sound mind and perfect memory do make
and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and
making void all other wills by me made or made.
First, I direct that it is my wish that I should be buried decently.
Secondly, That all my funeral expenses be paid. Thirdly, That all my
just debts be paid after my decease by my Executors of my own
or I may have in my hands or may come into my hands after
my decease. Fourthly, I give and bequeath with my beloved
wife Jane Mayo her life time estate out of my land, which I own
in all the household and kitchen furniture to use it at she pleases
one hundred acres lying on the branch. Fifthly, After her decease
my wish is, and I bequeath it to my youngest son Andrew Mayo
Sixthly, After my decease my wish is for daughter Mary to stay
to remain on the land for his support until she dies of my wife
Jane Mayo. Seventh, I do give and bequeath with my Grand
son Phoebe Mayo for the love and affection I have for him
sixty acres of land where his father now lives Mary son of Nelson
Mayo. Eighth, I provide that Nelson Mayo may have of Phoebe
Mayo both give Jane Mayo a house on the sixty acres of land
with the buildings, her a good Cabbie, if it is her request.
Ninth, I do give and bequeath unto eldest son John Mayo one
dollar to be paid by Executors out of the estate after my decease.
I do give and bequeath unto my second son Richard Mayo
one dollar to be paid by my Executors after my decease. I do
give and bequeath unto my third son Nelson Mayo, one dollar
to be paid by my Executors after my decease. I do give and bequeath
unto my daughter Elizabeth Martin one dollar to be paid by my
Executors. I do give and bequeath unto my daughter, Polly Haggard
one dollar to be paid by my Executors. I do give and bequeath unto
my daughter Sally Haggard one dollar to be paid by my Executors.
I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Ellen Shoulton one dollar
to be paid by my Executors out of my estate. It is also my wish,
and I bequeath unto my four daughters Jane Mayo, Susan Mayo,
Rachel Mayo, Malinda Mayo all the household and kitchen
furniture after my decease of my wife. It is also my request
that so much of the sold by my Executors of my property as will
pay all my just debts and Legacies and funeral expenses.
I do hereby wish and it is my desire that if there is any
more property than will pay the expense after my decease

for my wife to have it for use. Then I want it to be divided equally among my four daughters Jane Mary Susan Mary Rachel Mary Matilda Mary & to be valued by the Executors and equally divided. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint and it is my wish and desire that my youngest son Andrew Mary and John Loomis my friend be my Executors. In witness whereof I do sign this my last Will and Testament with my seal. January 16th 1839

In the presence of us, wilep.

Lucas Arundray
John Arundray
James Arundray

Richard May Seal

Will of Pabitha C. Miller

Dated Nov 24 1839

Nov 24 1839

I Pabitha C. Miller being weak of body and sound of mind and knowing death is certain and life uncertain, I do lawfully constitute the following to be my last Will and Testament. In the first place, I make my body put away with as little expensibility as possible so it is decently done. In the second place, I want the doctor bill in case of my sickness and all other expenses and if there should be any small debts all to be paid. And I will and bequeath to my dear sister Dorcas C. Miller all the personal property I have. And I also will that Jacob Miller my brother shall have all the land estate which I have which I inherited from my father & he Jacob Miller is to pay one hundred and fifty dollars for the above named expenses and to get some white stones for my own & my father's graves and to put a stone wall round my own & my father's mother's graves and he Jacob Miller is to do it within twelve months after my decease and to be paid a reasonable price for so doing. And if there should be any thing yet left I will that my dear sister Dorcas C. Miller shall have it all and all the cash notes I have is to be applied in the above manner. I request my brother Jacob Miller to be the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and hereby nominate and appoint him for that purpose.

Given under my hand & seal. This 24th day of March Eighteen hundred and thirty nine

Witness
John Maures
James P. Miller

Pabitha C. Miller Seal

Will of William Malsby

Dated Oct 17 1839

I William Malsby of Newlin County in the name of God Amen
I William Malsby of said County and State being of sound mind & memory but weak in body knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say. First, I recommit my soul to all mighty God. And I request that all my just debts be paid quickly. After my decease I will that all my personal property shall be sold by my Executor at public auction and out of the proceeds my Executor shall pay John Malsby my wife son thirty dollars. And to William Malsby my son Hollis and to my daughter Patsy wife of Jacob Bowman thirty dollars and the balance if any to be paid over into the hands of my beloved wife Mary. And my request is that at her death if any thing remains in her hands that it be paid over to David Malsby daughter. Having heretofore conveyed to my son David all my land in consideration of his maintaining & supporting myself & wife I now state that that was the consideration alone that induced me to convey said land to him. And the thousand dollar was only inserted as a mere matter of form by the person who drew the deed of conveyance, which I now again ratify by this my last Will & Testament and should it any day or in formality be discovered in said deed any defect or error or blemish or defect to him all my title rights and interest in said land I want David the same to have enjoy & possess forever.

And I hereby appoint my son David my Executor and desire that he be excused from giving bond for the performance of his duties as Executor. My desire is that I may be buried in the grave where I now lie in a decent and plain manner and near where Samuel Bowman is buried. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal. This 7th day of October A.D. 1839.

Test

R. G. Paine

D. Alexander

William Malsby Seal

Will of William Maure

Dated June 12 1842

This 12th day of June 1842. (In the name of God Amen)
I William Maure being imperfect and impaired in body but perfect and sound in understanding and mind, do make this my last Will and Testament. I do

and bequeath that all my just debts and contracts be duly paid as soon after my death as possible out of my money. That I have the possession of or may first come into the hands of my wife Lydia Maria 2nd. I give and bequeath her my beloved wife 155 acres of land whereon she now lives and 7 head of horses and all other personal property and household furniture during her lifetime. And after my decease I think that she shall inherit and have the above during her life. And after her death I bequeath that my two youngest sons (to wit) Carter Maria and Joseph Maria have the above 155 acre tract of land and the premises thereunto belonging. 3rd. I will and bequeath that after the decease of my wife that all my heirs shall inherit their proportional part of the property ~~properly~~ to my wife and will be as aforesaid. All such property divided equally among my heirs except my son Campbell Maria and I will and bequeath the sum of \$500 out of my estate. 4th. I will that my wife shall hold all my notes now executed or hereafter executed to me for her own use and benefit excepting and saving to Peter Brink and Maria Skinner. And I also bequeath that my wife have a receipt that John Maria has in possession said receipt for the collecting of \$500 or thereabouts on James Miller and James Sampson. The receipt given to my wife the receipt on John McCallie for collection. And lastly, I nominate my wife Lydia Maria and I appoint her my executrix. In witness whereof I do hereby to this my will set my hand and seal. This 12th day of June as aforesaid 1842.

Signed, sealed and published
in presence of us, witnesses
Clement Begley
Ch. Anderson
Clinton Manes

William Maria ^{his} Seal
mark

And I bequeath to my son Joseph Maria one saddle.

In addition to my last Will and Testament I William Maria having made and will be the same, do make and declare this as a Codicil unto, to wit: I do hereby will and bequeath unto Zilpha Prager 50 acres of land with the present crop thereon, including the premises where she now lives and also one gray mare and colt. And I also will and bequeath unto the said Zilpha Prager 10 head of cattle, two of these head I keep and also all the household stuff with the before mentioned property that she is now in possession of. And also one side saddle, and also six bee hives. And I also give and

bequeath unto her to said Zilpha one side of land on Mark Skinner Peter Nash for \$25. And I bequeath her one. And I have said in mind certain the before mentioned will my last desire.

And lastly, It is my desire that this Codicil be attached to and constitute a part of my will to all intents and purposes. This 12th day of June as aforesaid 1842.
William Maria ^{his} Seal
mark
Clement Begley
Clinton Manes

Will of Jacob Miller

Dated Sept. 1842.

Proven Dec 5 1842

I Jacob Miller of Hawkins County, State of Tennessee being of sound mind & memory do make and publish this my last Will, to wit in manner and form following.

To my faithful & loving wife I will & bequeath Three Hundred dollars per annum to be paid her by my Executors hereafter named during her life. To my son Peter Miller I will Thirty five hundred dollars the same being already paid him. To my son Willie D Miller I will Thirty five hundred dollars the same being already paid him. To my son John C Miller I will the plantation on which he resides with its appurtenances & the negro man Clinton also now in his possession. To my daughter Sarah Young I will the negro girl Aloy now in her possession and at One hundred dollars and the balance of Three thousand dollars to be paid her as hereafter named. To my daughter Elizabeth A Miller I will the negro girl at valuation and the balance of Three thousand dollars as hereafter named. To my daughter Rachel Denny I will the two negro girls Jane & Lucinda both now in her possession & valued at Nine hundred and fifty dollars and Three hundred dollars cash making already an adequate payment to her of Seven hundred and fifty dollars. And the balance of Three thousand dollars as hereafter named. To my daughter Maria A Weaver I will two negroes at valuation, a horse at seven hundred dollars already delivered and the balance of Three thousand dollars to be paid her as hereafter named and further a Sum of four hundred dollars provided she settles in this County. To my daughter Susan Arundson I will the two negroes Agnes & James valued at one thousand dollars for both a horse at seven hundred dollars all now in her possession and the balance of Three thousand dollars to be paid her as hereafter named.

I do hereby nominate and appoint Cornelius C. Miller, my Executor to put this my last Will in Execution, and do will & ordain that he pay to my daughter the respective balances herefor mentioned in the manner following: To wit: Half of the said balance in equal installments at twelve and eighteen months from the date of my decease in current funds. The other half in property at valuation provided my Executor and each of us do this respectively can agree on and identify such property as it will suit both parties. They should have otherwise, such balances or parts of the last named half to be paid them by said Executor in Current at the end of two years from my decease in legal installments, and further provided that when I have the privilege of taking any part of the same in regard to the public sale of such property as I may deem it necessary not to keep.

To my son Cornelius C. Miller I will and bequeath all that now remains of my estate after paying the bequest. The foregoing legacies including all lands and property both real & personal.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the twenty seventh day of October. The year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two.

In presence of us who are subscribing witnesses to the same

R. B. Kinkaid

D. Thurman

Jacob Miller

Will of Mary Morrisette

Dated May 13 1843

Proven Sept 85

Proved 7544 1857 [Record, b 81]

I, Mary Morrisette do create and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First, I think that my general expenses and all my debt to paid as soon after my death as possible out of any manner that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executors. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Morrisette John Morrisette and George Washington Morrisette twenty five cents each to be paid to them by my Executors as they have already received as much or more than I am able to give any other children. Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my son Richard Morrisette my two negro boys named Henry and Frank. Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Everett my negro woman named Celia, and my negro boy named Stephen during her natural life, then said property to descend to him.

Fifthly, I give and bequeath to my son Richard Mitchell Morrisette and my daughter Nancy Everett all the other property or money I may be possessed of to be divided equally between them. The division to be made by themselves if they can agree, or in case they can not agree the division to be made by two disinterested persons chosen by them as I do not wish any sale of the property to be made. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Richard Mitchell Morrisette and William Laidman my Executors.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal the 19 day of May 1843

Mary Morrisette

Signed Sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the Testator, the 19 day of May 1843

Clairborne Walker

Edward Lee

Daniel H. Cook sham

Will of Zadock Moore

Dated Mar 19 1844

In the name of God Amen,

I, Zadock Moore of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being in good state of health of sound mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in the words following that is to say, I want all my funeral & burial expenses paid and all my just debts that is to say, I want all my dear wife Rebecca Moore all my household and kitchen furniture and pin-cloth and undisturbed possession of the house and all the buildings as far as the way need and the profits and rent of the land belonging to me, as much at least as the way need for a decent support with the exception of what may be needed for my wife. I want her to have a gentle horse to ride and two milk cows of her own choosing of the cows that belong to me and the stock now in the house and plow and pair of work gears and single bar and clevis. I want the wagon and harness to remain on the farm for the use of the same and all the hocks belonging to me, and sufficiency of the grain on the farm to remain to me for her support this year and also the third of the wheat that is growing and the cotton and flax seed and the rice and one Dede Gadell and riding horse and all the sheep and all my tools. I want my son William Moore

To take my sorrel horse named Challey and trade him in any way
 so as to get such a horse as named in the will for the use of the
 widow. I want Rosannah McCallough to have uninterrupted
 possession of the house where she now lives and have the same in-
 dices for support as she has heretofore had during her lifetime.
 I want at the death of my before named wife I want all the prop-
 erty sold and equally divided between the heirs of my daughter
 Rosannah Moore dead and my daughter Rosannah Phillips
 and my daughter Umi Cane, Bogart and the heirs of my daughter
 the Misses Keels deceased. And it is my will that John
 William Stephens and Isaac Phillips lay off to Thomas Moore
 my son one third in value and in land of the place where he now
 lives in satisfaction of his debt to me of \$1000.00 and to him
 and the debt named valuations is not to take the improvement but
 said Moore has made as any part of the value of said land
 and the said valuations is to lay off said land on the upper
 part of said land to him so as to include his improvements
 and clear across the plantation the land to be valuations according
 to quality and quantity. And at the death of my wife as above
 named the balance of the land is to be equally divided be-
 tween my three sons William Thomas and Samuel R. Moore
 according to quality and quantity. The personal property not
 named in the will at my death is to be sold my debts
 above named paid. The balance of said sale is to go to the
 use of my wife. I want William Moore and Thomas Moore
 Executors of this my last Will. This 17 day of March 1844
 Wm. Moore Phillips
 James Moore
 Jacob Moore

Will of George A. Mathes

Dated Feb 27 1844

In the name of God, Amen

I George A. Mathes of the County of Hawkins in the
 State of Tennessee being in feeble health but of sound disposing
 mind and memory do hereby make and declare this to be my
 last Will and Testament. It is my will and desire in the first
 place that my just debts be paid and that all the debts owing
 to me be collected. It is also my will and desire that after
 the collection of the debts due to me and the payment of the debts
 which I owe the balance of the money that may then together
 with the money on hand remain is to be equally divided between

my beloved wife Nancy S. Mathes and my two dear children Mary
 Jane and Margaret Elizabeth share and share alike. It is
 also my will and desire that all my other property and effects
 of every kind both real and personal that may now or here-
 after in any way belong or descend or be bequeathed to me
 shall in like manner be equally divided between my aforesaid
 wife and my children share and share alike. It is further
 my will and desire that out of the respective shares of my estate
 bequeathed as aforesaid to my two children a sufficiency
 thereof shall at the discretion of their Guardian be set apart
 and devoted to their education. It is also my wish and de-
 sire that my aforesaid beloved wife Nancy S. be the guar-
 dian of my two before mentioned Mary Jane and Margaret
 Elizabeth. And I do hereby nominate and appoint my be-
 loved brother John P. Mathes of the County of Jefferson in the
 State aforesaid to be the Executor of this my last Will and
 Testament and it is my will and desire that my said brother
 John P. act jointly with my wife aforesaid in regard to the
 education of my said two children as before mentioned.
 And I do hereby authorize and empower said Executor to sell
 and dispose of at any time any of the property belonging to my
 estate whatever in his opinion it may be to the advantage of my
 said wife and children and on such terms as he in his discre-
 tion shall think best upon consultation and with the assent and
 approbation of my said wife. In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my Seal this twelfth
 day of February in the year of our Lord Christ one thou-
 sand and fourty six.

Signed sealed and acknowledged the
 date above written in the presence of:

B. D. Mitchell
 J. B. Johnston
 Nathaniel Nash

J. P. Mathes

Will of Jesse Mauis

Dated May 25 1844

A written Will and Testament, Hawkins County, Tennessee
 I Jesse Mauis do make and publish this as my last Will and
 Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me
 at any time made. I direct that my funeral expenses

all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor. Secondly, I give and bequeath to Oliver Maine my eldest son, the tract of land he now lives upon, containing one hundred and fifty acres more or less, lying adjacent to Jefferson Hyde's land. Thirdly, I give and bequeath to Daniel Maine, my second son, fifty dollars in personal property to be paid out of the property now in my hands, instead of his portion of land. Fourthly, I give Maine my third son, I give and bequeath the tract of land he now lives on, lying adjacent to John Sullivan's plantation, fifty acres more or less. Fifthly, I give and bequeath to Martin Maine & Eldridge Maine, my two youngest sons, the home tract of land containing one hundred and thirty acres more or less, lying adjacent to the land of John Hyde & others, to be divided as follows: Commencing on the top of a certain ridge below James Goodmans house running with the said top to the cross fence, thence with the fence to the stable, thence with the same fence to a ledge of rocks, thence up the hill with the fence opposite a Chestnut tree and cross a Chestnut log a direct course to the top of the ridge that separates the tracts, Martin to have the end where Goodmans lives, & Eldridge the same end, if either one or both boys last mentioned should die before I will that he or they first or last should fall back, and be equally divided between the other two above mentioned, & provided they should die before they become of age or have lawful heirs. Sixthly, I give and bequeath to my youngest son, a certain red cow, likewise an equal part of all the household furniture. Seventhly, I will and bequeath to my wife Abby Maine a certain good red white picket, and that said wife has the liberty of disposing of the balance of the household furniture, at her own pleasure, she likewise has the liberty of staying as long as she lives single or appears to act, so as to provide the welfare and interest of said children. Eighthly, I appoint my full power and control to Oliver Maine & as my Executor to bargain and sell or dispose of any part of two parts of land, situate by Abijah Anderson's & Joseph's containing two hundred acres, lying adjacent to Southfield Williams & others, one half of said land being my part, to be sold or disposed of and the proceeds therefrom to be equally divided between my five sons above mentioned. Said Executors to have control and management of Martin & Eldridge and all the house affairs such suitable

the welfare happiness & interest of said family, all made in and above a good supply for said family, shall be sold and kept on a credit for the benefit of Martin Maine & Eldridge Maine, likewise all personal property except above mentioned and not needed for other purposes, shall be divided equally between the five sons above mentioned.

In witness whereof I do to this my Will set my hand and seal, this 25th day of May in the year of our Lord 1846.

James F. Maine, Deed.

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator, this day above mentioned.

Witness:

Ervin B. Spencer, Clerk of Maine
William Sullivan, John Sullivan

Proven this 1st day of June 1846

Will of Thomas Martin

Dated May 17, 1847

Proven July 5th 1847

I Thomas Martin of the County of Hallowell and State of Maine being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following: First, I will and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of any money that I may die possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my Executor from the sale of any of my personal estate, or my debts that is due me. Secondly, I will and desire that my wife Elizabeth Martin to live on and be in the quiet possession and enjoyment of my houses and land and to be comfortably provided for out of my personal estate, to be specially attended to by my Executor during her lifetime, and I desire that my said tools be and remain unsold at any time, but for for the use of my several sons. And if there appears to be more of my personal property than will appear necessary for my said wife's support, I will and desire that my Executors sell all the surplus property at a twelve month credit and the proceeds of said sale to be divided between my two daughters namely Mahala Sullivan and Elizabeth Lanson so as to make them equal in the property and Elizabeth's lot of land. Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Lanson and to her heirs a certain lot or parcel of my land, beginning on a stone wall

near a field called the Bras field and run a straight line to the South West corner of William Martin's field on the West side of the road going to town. Then along the top of the ridge to my line Westwardly with said line to my corner. Then to the beginning.
 Fourthly, I will and bequeath the balance of my land to be divided between my son as follows namely John Martin and William Martin to have look to. Beginning on a Spanish oak the South West corner of my old back, run a line to the South West corner of a field called the Bras field. Thence Northwardly along the fence of said field to the top of a small ridge. Thence Eastwardly along the top of said ridge to opposite a cross fence near Martin's and John Martin. Thence Northwardly along said fence to another cross fence between my John Martin. Thence with said fence to Mitchell's line and with that line to the mountain, to be divided as they may best agree work to the mountain.

Fifthly, Beginning at the North West corner of my home tract, thence Eastwardly to the branch. Thence with my line to a lot of land I bought of Ephraim Newstead. Then Northwardly to a white oak. Thence with said line to a stake on the South side of Copper ridge. Thence Eastwardly to opposite a new cross fence. Then a straight line to said fence and with said fence to the lot fence and with said lot fence to a small white oak in the edge of a field. Thence Eastwardly along the top of a ridge to Patrick's fence. Then round the South side of said fence to or near a oak. Thence along the top of a small ridge to John Mitchell's line. That part North of said oak and small ridge to be equally divided between Patrick Martin and the male heirs of Oron Martin to be divided between Patrick & Oron as they may best agree.

Sixthly, which includes my houses and improved land I will to my son Oron Martin and Oron Martin to be divided as they may agree. As to my two sons James Martin and Thomas Martin I that my son above named pay to said James and Thomas Martin their portable part of said land so as to make them all equal, but to clear and have a credit from James Martin part for a hundred dollars which I loaned him when he left the country. I also will and bequeath to wife Elizabeth Martin my service and all I also will to my son Abigail Martin one horse and saddle of my stock, and my rifle gun and shot pouch. And hereby revoke and disannul all former wills by me made.

And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my two sons John Martin and William my Executors to this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal May 17th 1847.

Joseph Middlecoff

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us

J. Mitchell
 James Newstead.
 Wiley Cope.

Will of Joseph Middlecoff

Dated Sep 20. 1847

Given and sealed 1847 J. K. Tama & Co.

In the name of God, Amen

Joseph Middlecoff being feeble in health and of disposing mind & memory do make & publish this my last will & Testament. I give my body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my friends or my soul to return to God who gave it. With all my just debts to be paid. I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Patsy all my property of every description both real & personal for her comfortable support & the raising & education of my children so long as she shall remain my widow. It is my will that my son George have the use of land which I purchased from Pleasant & Lee upon which there is a saw mill. One third of the saw mill is mine and the other two thirds I wish the land & my interest in the mill to be valued at the final division of my property for my son George to pay to my other heirs the valuation of said land together with my interest in said mill. I wish the line of the said tract of land to continue as a homestead corner to my old tract of land & corner to the said tract I purchased from Lee, running thence in a north direction straight with the fence to the corner for this line to be the dividing line between the two tracts of land. If my said wife should ever marry which I do not expect she will I wish my estate to be equally divided between her and my children according to law. It is my will that my beloved wife Patsy should retain the quiet & undisturbed possession of all my property as before mentioned during her widowhood or her natural life & at her death I wish my property of every description both real & personal to be equally divided between my lawful heirs. It is my will that it be left to the choice of my son George whether he take the land and the mill as above mentioned, if he does not I wish it to be disposed of as my other land & for George's interest in the mill being two thirds to be valued & for George to be paid the valuation by the other heirs when a final division shall take place. I wish my son George to have entire control of the saw mill to pay us one third of the proceeds thereof until the final division takes place.

I do hereby nominate and appoint my son John Moore & my son George Executors to this my last Will & Testament. This 20th day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty, seven.

Witness

That I See

Robert Moore

Dated June 5 1849

Will of James Moore

Proven before me June 5 1849

State of Tennessee, Hawkins County, In the name of God

I James Moore, Sen of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do hereby make my last Will and Testament. First, My will is that I do desire, bequeath and my funeral expenses paid out of my Estate. Secondly, My will is that all my just debts be paid out of my Estate. Thirdly, That my wife Elizabeth have all my personal estate after my just, bills and funeral expenses are paid, if she should outlive me for her support. And then at her death, all the property to be sold and the proceeds equally divided between my children Elizabeth McCollough and Polly Lane, heirs which is my then daughter or their heirs as the case may be.

Fourthly, My will is that my son James Moore have a certain parcel or tract of land, which is all my lands above the conditional line except herein after mentioned.

Fifthly, My will is that my son John Moore's heirs have all my land below the conditional line, and his widow Elizabeth Moore have a support off of the said land so long as she remains a widow and no longer. Sixthly, My will is that my grand son Harry Moore have three acres off of the East end of my land, across from line to line including when he now lives.

Seventhly, My will is that my son James Moore's, and I do appoint him my Executor of my last Will and Testament &c. I do by these presents set my hand and seal. This 5th day of June 1849

In presence of us

Nicholas Wickner

William Shepherd

James Moore (Test)

Will of Cleon Moore

1852

Proven before me June 18 1852 J. H. Vance Not

Dated May 18 1852

The State of Tennessee

Hawkins County

I Cleon Moore of the County and State

above said, being of sound mind & of

and memory make this my last will and Testament. First, It is my desire that all my just debts shall be paid. Second, It is my desire that my beloved wife Emily G. Moore shall have all the negroes that I acquired by an marriage to wit, Eliza, Esther, Elan, Robert, Canotto, Nancy, and their increase if any, and all the household and kitchen furniture that may be on hand at my decease which I acquired by an marriage. It is also my desire that my beloved wife Emily shall have the farm that I purchased of William A. Cox, in Jefferson County Tennessee, on condition that she my wife Emily shall pay to my heirs the sum of one thousand dollars in three yearly payments that I paid in part of the purchase money of said farm, and other moneys advanced by me for debts contracted by my said wife before our marriage, & that she shall have a bay mare & a cow & calf on the farm in Jefferson County which I acquired by her by marriage. I desire further that should my wife Emily desire it she shall have land of 100 acres by purchase or hereafter mentioned a sufficient quantity of ground from my farm in Jefferson County for an house and support. Third, It is my desire that the remainder of the property it has pleased Almighty God to bless me with shall be sold by my Executors on a credit of twelve months, and the proceeds there for to be equally divided among the following persons to wit, Virginia McCarty (now dead), Sarah Moore, William Moore, John Moore, Margaret Moore, George Mendenhall Moore, Mariah Bralford, Mary Moore, Eliza Ruth Moore, Jacobus G. Moore, Clara R. Moore, I have one other child, Emeline Moore, not named above further whom I have heretofore provided for. After deducting from William Moore nine hundred and dollars and from Virginia McCarty the sum of thirteen hundred dollars, from George Mendenhall Moore the sum of twelve hundred dollars, and from John Moore the sum of nine hundred dollars, all of said several sums having heretofore been advanced to my said children in lands or money, which I have no doubt will be admitted by each of them. Fourth, Should my Executors believe that it will be to the interest of any heirs to sell any or all of my land not disposed of by me on a credit of one, two or more years they can do so. Fifth, I desire that there shall be no quarrels and suits about what is my will and intention in this my will. That is, that my wife shall have all the property herein before mentioned for her use, paying the sum of one thousand dollars above stated

& the rest of my heirs not heretofore provided for, that the remainder of the proceeds of the sale of all my property both real & personal shall be divided equally (divided) among my heirs not heretofore provided for, after deducting the amounts herein before specified from the heirs share who has received it.
 First, I hereby revoke all other wills that I may have heretofore made, adopted and ratified by my last will and testament, and I hereby appoint Abraham P. McCarty and ^{Thos. J.} Bradford two of my nearest lawful Executors to this my last will, Signed and sealed in the presence of: This 15 day of August 1852.
 James L. Elder
 John D. Logan. Olson Moore

Will of John Manis

dated 6th 10 1853

Pross June 2nd 1853

John Manis of the County of Hamilton and State of Tennessee being somewhat advanced in life and rather of feeble health, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, considering the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, he makes, publishes and declares his last will and testament, hereby revoking and annulling said all other wills made by me heretofore at any time whatsoever.

First, It is my will and desire that of the money that may come from my death or which may first come into the hands of my Executors hereinafter named, all my just debts should be paid and all the expenses attending my funeral.

Secondly, It is my will and desire that my two sons Nelson and George Manis shall have all my lands which lie in the valley where they now live, except that portion of said lands which lies North West of a line to be run hereafter, from a bunch of Spruce corner of a fifty acre grant and to run with a line down to Spring Deboards line and to cross the valley as at ~~cross~~ ^{Spring} ~~line~~ ^{line}, North that at Deboards corner. It being my intention to give to my said two sons or their heirs all the lands which lie East and North of said line and to contain one hundred & twenty five acres to be equally divided between them share and share alike.

Thirdly, It is my will and desire that my four grand children, to wit Sarah Manis, Phoebe Manis, Amanda Manis and Nathan Manis shall have my fifty acre tract of land as is contained in Grant No 19335 and issued on the 20 day of October 1835, to be equally divided

between them share and share alike, but if it should be thought advisable and for the interest of said grand children by my Executors to sell said fifty acre tract of land they may sell the same, and if said sale should be made whilst said grand children are minors, the money arising from said sale shall be put at interest until the oldest may become of age or shall marry, and then his or her portion of said proceeds shall be paid over to him or her, and so on with the others.

Fourthly, It is my will and desire that my son Pleasant Manis shall have the tract of land where he now lives which lies West of the main road which passes my house from Tinseltown to Rogersville, the East line to run with the road from the South East corner thereof to the lower corner of the tract whereon I live, to wit, to the lower corner of my plantation thence leaving the road to the left and running a straight line to a stake, a corner of my fifty acre tract, thence along the line of said fifty acre tract to a place called maple corner of said fifty acre tract, thence around various courses to include all my land West of the last mentioned line.

Fifthly, It is my will and desire that my wife Celia Manis shall have the entire use and control of my home plantation and the two places on which Washington Smith and John Robinson now live, for and during her natural life or widowhood, and after her death or marriage that shall said plantations shall belong entirely in fee simple to my two sons John and Gilbert Manis, who are now minors or their heirs, to be equally divided between them share and share alike, and it is my will and desire that my wife Celia shall also have my negro boy Bony and my mare mule for and during her natural life or widowhood, and after her death or should she marry they and in that case it is my will and desire that my Executors shall sell the said negro boy and mule and divide the proceeds equally between Pleasant Manis, Peter, Dicks, Polly Robinson, Celia Manis and Lucinda Manis my daughter, share and share alike. It is also my will and desire that my wife Celia shall have all my household & kitchen furniture, and one third of the stock horses that may be on hand at the time of my death, one third of the sheep, and third of the cattle and all the farming utensils.

Sixthly, It is my will and desire that my son John Manis shall have a bay mare colt, now one year old, pink and a saddle and bridle, and my son Gilbert to have a bay mare colt, saddle & bridle likewise, and that my daughter Celia

shall have one Cow and Calf, one Side Saddle. And my daughter Le-
Cuda shall have a Cow and Calf & a Side Saddle.
Secondly. It is my will and desire that all the balance of my per-
sonal estate of whatever character a ledger of stock, notes, or hand or any
other personal estate shall be sold by my Executor or Executors and the
money then collected shall be equally divided between
my daughter Nancy Mann, Polly Robertson, Eliza Mann and
Lucinda Mann, and of any money should be on hand at the time of
my death more than sufficient to pay my debts and funeral expenses,
it is my will and desire that said monies shall likewise be di-
vided equally between my said four daughters, last above named.
Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Pleasant Mann
and my son-in-law Charles Mann Executors of my last will and
testament. This 15th Sept 1855.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of us this 15th day of Sept 1855
Geo P. Parke, Abijah Anderson,
Wm Sullivan, Edwin A. Mann.

John Mann

Will of John McWilliams

Dated May 13 1855.

Proven Oct 1855.

I John McWilliams of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee
do make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and
nullifying void all other wills by me made, 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 my money
that I may die possessed of, or may hereafter come into the hands of
my Executor.

Item 2. I do will all my landed estate consisting of the one
third part of the tract of land that I now live on, also a small
tract purchased of John Ninkhead. And a small entry to my grand-
son Josiah McWilliams, a son of a legitimate child with I do ac-
knowledge as my son whose name was James McWilliams.

Item 3. I will to Margaret Smith daughter of C Smith and Bureau
choice of two.

Item 4. I do will that all my personal property be sold by
Executor after giving ten days notice to the highest bidder on a con-
tract of twelve months.

Item 5. I do will that my two negro Slaves, to wit, Dido and
Adonia shall be divided equal between my brother Andrew, Sister

Nancy. And the proceeds of the sale of my personally after my death
is paid to be equally divided between my Andrew McWilliams
& Nancy my Sister.

Lastly, I appoint Robert Cooper as my and my lawful Executor.
In testimony whereof I do set my hand & Seal, in presence
of the subscribing witnesses. The execution is not to be ruled to
Security. This 13th day of May 1855.

Attest,
N. Hamilton,
P. Craig.

John McWilliams Seal

Will of Thompson McFee

Dated Apr 8, 1855.

Proven Oct 1855.

Proven 5 Oct 1857 I Recd. b 921

I Thompson McFee being weak in bodily health but of sound
mind and disposing memory, knowing that all mortal lives have a
close, and desiring to provide for the welfare of immortality, and in con-
sideration of the same, do hereby make and ordain this, my last
Will and Testament. In the 1st place, I bequeath to Eliza
Lloyd, my wife, who survives, 2^{ndly} that all my just debts be settled
out of my effects that I may leave. 3^{rdly} I bequeath and give
with Alfred Rhoton McFee, my son, my plantation on which I re-
side, bounded to and Alfred R McFee by John Caldwell for
three hundred & fifty acres more or less, also my slave Edith,
with one half of all my household and kitchen furniture to
go with all my interest in the farming tools including wagon & plow.
4^{thly} I give & bequeath unto my daughter Barbara Anne
McFee, my slave Mary together with one half of my household
& kitchen furniture. Also one Cow & a sorrel mare & Coll. My
old slave Edith is to remain as the property jointly between my
son Alfred & my daughter Barbara, and they are jointly bound
to support her whenever she becomes unable to support herself.
I further hereby provide that my daughter Barbara is to be sup-
ported out of the proceeds of my farm as long as she remains
unmarried and single. 5^{thly} I give and bequeath to Anne
Jane Lloyd, my daughter, one hundred dollars to be paid
out of the amount for husband Wm Lloyd is indebted to me.
The residue of said debt I bequeath unto my son Alfred & my daughter
Barbara equally to each for such support & education as I may re-
quire while I live. My claims of debt against Cooper for eight
hundred dollars with the interest thereon is to be divided equally

Louisa Louisa W. Dodge, my daughter, and my son Alfred and daughter
Barbara. The other half to my daughter Susan William. I give to
each out of the debt of Fifty hundred dollars coming to me from
John Copeland. Two hundred and fifty dollars. I bequeath unto the
children of my daughter Sarah Alice. The sum of Two hundred and
fifty dollars, to be paid out of six fifteen hundred dollar debt.
The balance of said debt will be one thousand dollars which I be-
queath equally amongst my other six children or their heirs to wit, my
son John W. McCree Joseph C. Miller and my daughter Elizabeth
Marion deceased her son Lewis McHoge & Anderson McCreary son
of Lucy H. Hanger & her child or children. The condition of said share
except five dollars which is to be paid over to her, is to remain in the
hands of my executors to be paid over to a Justice of the Peace for the use
of the County Court of Newton, to be paid out to the mother her
child or children as the Court may be as they may need the same.
I bequeath to said Justice of the Peace the sum of five dollars for which service he is to be remunerated out of my share.
I have equalized said debts and my son-in-law covered debts
and my will I make my last and only will and testament.
In testimony of which I have signed my hand and affixed
my seal this 5th day of November in the year of our Lord 1855.
John H. Miller
Robt. Cropper
James Oliver

William Molshe

dated Mar 28 1856

Witness J. H. Miller & James Oliver

I William Molshe being of sound mind and memory do hereby
in body do hereby make this my last will and testament. That I give
I bequeath will now sent to my wife Mary Molshe and her heirs
the heirs of Christ the will, my wife, except the same
it is my intention I will and bequeath the entire land of which
I am possessed unto my wife Mary Molshe during her natural
life or widowhood. With power in case of her death or surviving to
bring to my heirs. I also will unto her my wife and three horses
and bay colt and white horse and Hanover, two white cows and one
mare to be selected by her also twelve head of hogs and two sows
and my entire farming utensils. One six bedstead and bed and
clothing two round bedsteads beds and clothing and the balance of
my household and kitchen furniture. I also will unto her (my wife)
my old sheep, my entire cash except forty shags, and all my corn.

all my other wheat in bushels which I have sold in 1855. With
wheat. All the my place eight hundred pounds of bacon and
all my land. As to my money I will it to be loaned at inter-
est until my children are twenty one years of age when I will
interest shall be paid or handed to them as they see fit. And whatever of
money may be paid shall be paid specially my wife I also
will (after debts are paid) to my children subject to the provisions
of my last will and testament. In witness where-
of I have hereunto set my hand and seal the March 28th in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

William Molshe

The above instrument was now and here subscribed by Wil-
liam Molshe the Testator in the presence of each of us and was
at the same time after all evidence and testimony declared by him
to be his last will and testament and we by his request signed
our names hereto as attesting witnesses.

J. H. Miller
J. S. Oliver

Renunciations Will of John Molshe

Dated Aug 27 1856

Witness J. H. Miller & James Oliver

We R. M. Bishop, Nath. Molshe, George A. Stubbs and S.
Combs do hereby renunciate the will of John Molshe made
for him on the 28th day of March 1856, in our presence to which we were
specially requested to bear witness by the Testator himself, in the presence
of each other. That it was made in his last sickness in his own
dwelling house where he had been living for several years, and
that it is as follows to wit: It was his last will and testament that
his effects should be disposed of after his decease in the following
manner.

1st That all his just debts be paid out of his effects, and the man-
ner of his estate be decided among his children in the following
manner. That his daughter Nancy have a separate sum of Two
hundred dollars. The remainder to be divided among his heirs
to wit, Nancy, Mary, Joseph, Leannah, Weta, Shave and Shaw all 2nd
That my land that I bought a short time ago from John Combs
and his wife, my wife is to be my wife and children now to and
lands, but my wife and three named children have and hold the same
land during my wife's natural life. The my share is that my children

sell over land at public or private sale, or by any other way, but
that if my wife and children do not come to said land, my
desire is that my Executors sell said land as soon as they may
come to be sold as the law directs, either public or private as they may
think best.

3rd My will and desire is that my wife and children have any
say there and that they use her for the benefit of all the family
and if she and mine bring a suit and bring that my daughter
Annie is to have it.

4th My will and desire is that my Executors sell all my personal
property at public sale except one year's support for my wife.

5th My will and desire is that all my effects remain in the hands
of my Executors until after the death of my wife or be loaned out
at interest, and at the death of my wife to be paid over to my children
as directed above. 6th And lastly, I hereby nominate and appoint
William C. Kite, John Allen and S. Brooks, my Executors of my last
Will and Testament.

Made out by us and signed the 2nd of August 1851

R. M. Bishop
Wm. C. Kite
John Allen
S. Brooks

Will of William M. Carver

Dated Sept 3, 1851

Proved to me 1851

That of Dennis Lee Sawline County, in the county of York, Ontario,
of the County and State aforesaid, I William
McCarver do hereby say, in body as follows in witness whereof
and ordain that my last will and Testament, revoking all others
heretofore by me made to wit:

1st I recommend myself out to God, and bequeath a decent burial
2nd A certain piece of land sold to Thomas Allen and a considerable
line made by said Allen and myself, William M. Carver 1849, begin-
ning at a stone near the creek, that John Allen now uses, and ends
of, thence with a straight line with the fence towards the river a large
good white oak tree, thence with the fence to river, all east of and the
above named line between said Allen.

3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret M. Carver
the lot around the house and garden & privilege to both while or land
for fruit. I further will that she shall have all my household &
kitchen furniture except one bed, and that my son William is to get

equal to the one that my son Abraham has had. I further will
that all the property that my wife brought here when we were mar-
ried, that she may dispose of it at her own will, the balance to
be divided between my two sons at her death, or if she should
get married, I will that she shall have a horse worth twenty
five dollars and a saddle and bridle during her life, then
to be divided between my two sons. I further will that she
may have a support out of the Sawline house & come on & live
there that is on hands at her death. I will my wife and
chose among carp, and four choice hogs, same saw and shooks.
4th I further will that my farm shall be equally divided
between my two sons, if they can agree themselves in dividing,
if not, to those three designated men to divide it for them.
I will also that each of them shall have access to the wa-
ter on the farm and also to both apple orchards for fruit,
each privilege to be same. All my loose property to be divided be-
tween my two sons, if they can agree, if not, to be sold & divided
the same, and also the same on interest. I will my land
to my sons and their heirs and so on.

5th I further will that my wife shall have a neat kitchen
pantry off of the farm during her natural life or widowhood.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this
5th of September in the year of our Lord 1851.

Witness

William M. Carver

John Allen

James B. Arms

Will of William M. Colburn

Dated Oct 6, 1851

Proved to me 1851

I, William M. Colburn do make and publish this as
my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all
other wills by me at any other time made. First, I bequeath
my funeral expenses and all my debts to be paid as soon after my
death as possible, out of my property that I may see the payment
of or may first come into the hands of my Executors.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth M. Colburn, the
farm on which we now live, to have the possession of the same or
enough of the proceeds of said farm for her maintenance
during her life time. Thirdly, that Sarah & Nancy M. Colburn
have their support of said farm while living single, or shall wish

their mother, & at the death of my wife Elizabeth McCollough to leave
 & fall to William Samuel and John McCollough, provided the
 then say herein provided for & each one of the heirs and hundred
 dollars when said James comes into his land & land, Abraham
 McCollough, Silas Headrick, Henry P. McCollough, Sarah Mary
 Jane McCollough. In witness whereof I do to his will set
 my hand & seal. This 14th day of October 1851

William McCollough

Signed sealed & published in our presence & we have subscribed
 in witness here to in the presence of the Notary. This 14th day of
 October 1851

Not. William McPherson

James Moore

Will of William Miller

Filed Jan 23. 1852

Proven Dec Term 1852

I, William Miller of Davidson County, State of Tennessee, being now
 of full age, sound of mind and memory do hereby make and con-
 sider, is making my last Will and Testament, which is in the
 words and figures following to wit:

Item 1st. My will and desire is that my body shall be decently
 buried in a suitable Coffin at such a place as my wife may
 direct, and after said expense then I want my just debts paid
 out of my effects such as notes of hand or any evidence of debt
 due me.

Item 2nd. My will and desire is that my beloved wife Susan
 Miller shall possess and enjoy all my real and personal es-
 tate during her natural life, subject however to the following
 conditions, that is, she must pay my debts out of an effort
 (Always excepting my more certain bond which I will hereafter provide
 for provided that same be such & can be paid to pay any and all
 claims against me, after having in her hands full as much personal
 property as is exempt from Execution in a widow's hands by the
 laws of Tennessee, and should the property aforesaid fail to pay as
 aforesaid then I desire my Executor hereafter appointed, to sell so
 much of my land over the head, war and joining James Vassar as
 will satisfy all claims against my Estate, which said land is to be
 laid off and sold by my Executor, and for which she is to make
 title. And so.

Item 3rd. I desire at the death of my wife that my servant man

called Ben shall choose among all my children who should be
 provided with his wife, and after such choice is made two dis-
 interested neighbors are to assess the value of the child so chosen is
 to have him at his education, which valuation is to be known as the
 price of my land hereafter provided for.

Item 4th. My will is that all the property my wife may get under
 this will is to be hers in fee simple. Next Ben, and we land
 as I have provided for. That is to say, at his death that is to be
 of my wife Susan, I desire all my land sold to the highest
 bidder on a credit one half the purchase money in one and the
 other half in two years retaining a lien until the whole is paid
 for, and the proceeds to be equally divided among all my children
 or their children should any of them be dead, with the understanding
 that my wife has full control over and receive all the rents pro-
 fits and labor of Ben my servant during his natural life, and
 I do hereby appoint my wife Susan my sole Executor with the
 request that my brother Jacob Miller assist her in carrying
 into effect this will. Witness my hand & seal This 28th day of
 June 1852

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us. Witness my hand & seal. This 28th day of June 1852

William Miller

Christian Bensabough

Will of Gabriel McGraw

Filed July 1852

Proven April 1852

I, Gabriel McGraw of the County of Washington and State of
 Texas being of sound and disposing mind I make and publish
 this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making
 void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made. And
 as to such worldly estate as is here placed I do to submit with
 I dispose of the same as follows.

First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susan McGraw
 during her natural life all the property both real and personal
 of which I may be seized and possessed including all notes and
 accounts in my favor against all persons whatsoever.

Second, I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Evaline McGraw
 for and for the use of her husband with Charles T. Teller
 at the death of my said wife, my negro girl Ellen and all the
 children the same negro girl my son Lewis and child of my son wife

Third. I direct that the residue of my property both real and personal shall be sold at the death of my said wife, for the portion of each of my three daughters, Maria, Ellen, Susan Mayes and Adeline & Sister. The rest of my children having been already provided for.

And lastly I do hereby make, ordain and appoint Samuel M. Crow and William M. Mayes Executors of my say last will and Testament, which office it is my desire they shall hold without security. In witness whereof I Subscribed W. Crow the said Testament have to this my last will and Testament written and one sheet of paper signed with my hand and seal the twenty first day of July in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight.

Witness my hand

Signed, sealed and published in the presence of us who have subscribed in the presence of the Testator and of each others

John C. Davis

Wm. Briggs

Samuel C. Wells

Miller of Albion C. Miller

Dated Aug 3 1861

Crown March 1862

I, Albion C. Miller being of sound and perfect mind & memory do make and publish the my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First I give and devise unto my elder daughter Maria S. Shanks, and unto my elder son Thomas C. Miller jointly, their heirs and assigns all that my messuage or tenement, including the farm on which I now live, situated lying & being in Carter or Allen in the eighth district of Kenton County, Kentucky together with my household estate whatsoever therein to hold to them the said Martha S. Shanks and Thomas C. Miller jointly, and to their heirs and assigns forever. Also I give and devise unto my said elder daughter Maria S. Shanks & unto my said elder son Thomas C. Miller jointly all that my messuage or tenement, situated lying and being in Conner Creek in the tenth Civil district of said County & State together with my household estate whatsoever therein to them the said Martha S. Shanks and said Thomas C. Miller jointly & unto their heirs and assigns forever.

Secondly I give and devise unto my younger daughter Mary Frances

Miller & unto my younger son Samuel Goodson Miller jointly, their heirs and assigns all that my messuage or tenement which sits in the twelfth district of said County purchased by me of the Barron Belton farm situated lying & being in the above eighth Civil district County & State aforesaid, together with my household estate in the same place to hold to them the said Mary F. Miller and Samuel C. Miller jointly, and unto their heirs and assigns forever. Also I give and bequeath unto my said younger daughter Mary Frances Miller and unto my said younger son Samuel C. Miller to be divided equally between them when they the said Mary F. and said Samuel C. arrive at the age of twenty one years old, respectively, the following slaves namely, Nannas a woman, John W. Bledsoe a boy, Pasquena a child, together with their increase, but the said Nannas to have the control, use & benefit of the labor of said slaves ^{guarantee} within the Manor, until the said Mary Frances & Samuel arrive at their majority.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unconditionally unto my beloved wife Malinda Miller the following slaves namely, Nancy Ann, Lucinda & her child James Pruitton, together with their increase.

Lastly I give and bequeath unto my said beloved wife all debts or money due me together with all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs, sheep &c. with all my farming utensils, iron & plows, hammers &c. &c. household furniture of every variety in beds & kitchen furniture, lawn house furniture, blacksmith tools with all kinds of grains on hand or growing, to enable her said Malinda Miller to mind, use my estate successfully to support herself & my two minor children, Mary F. & Samuel C. comfortably & quiet of them the schooling that she may find expedient, &c. &c. and I hereby appoint my beloved wife Malinda Miller executrix of this my last will & Testament, without requiring her to be sworn to & secured by the County Court for her faithful discharge of duties therein.

Further I discretional authority is hereby conferred by me with said Malinda Miller executrix to sell & dispose of, either by private or public sale so much of the above recited personal property placed at her disposal as will make a sum necessary when added to the available debts now outstanding to liquidate all legal demands against the estate. The residue & remainder of the above personal property of all my just debts are paid out of it as is directed above, and to be sold & controlled solely by said executrix Malinda Miller for her own use & benefit & for the joint use & benefit of my younger daughter Mary Frances & also my younger son Samuel Goodson, who are both minors.

and to whom or for whom, the said Matilda Miller is hereby appointed and is hereby appointed by me guardian to both of the said Mary Frances and Samuel Goodson, until they arrive at the age of twenty one, without her being subject to bond, by the Court of which, the said Matilda Miller, when the above named Mary Frances and Samuel Goodson arrive at the age of twenty one, then the unsold residue and remainder of personal property in the hands of said Guardian, or its proceeds when sold, shall be divided into three parts, equally between said Matilda Miller, guardian as aforesaid, and my youngest daughter Mary Frances, & also my youngest son Samuel Goodson, each receiving one third part thereof. My elder daughter Maria & Thomas & also my elder son Thomas & William have been heretofore not otherwise fully provided for.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this 3rd day of August 1811.

Witness my hand and seal, and declared by the above named Oliver C. Miller to be his last Will and Testament in presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the said Oliver C. Miller.

John Young

Will of David Molsbee

Dated April 13, 1814

Proven and attested 1814

I, David Molsbee, being of a sound mind and free of

incapacity, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament as follows:

First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret Molsbee one horse or mule and for personal services off one my land and one some provisions, two cows, my household and kitchen furniture during her widowhood, and at her death or marriage what then remains is to be sold and equally divided between my five daughters.

Secondly, I give and bequeath unto the said Margaret Molsbee one and one half acre of land, around the house. Thirdly, I give and bequeath unto my three sons, Joseph Samuel and Abraham Molsbee, the remainder of my land, as follows: First, I will and bequeath to Samuel Molsbee one third of my land, including what he now lives upon, house and house lot and barn. Secondly, I give and bequeath unto Abraham Molsbee one third of my land including my manure

house and house lot and house where I now live. Fourth, I give and bequeath unto Joseph Molsbee the other third of the said land, which I now live upon, house and house lot and barn. I give and bequeath the said land to be equally divided between Anna and Rachel Molsbee. I give and bequeath unto my five daughters, to wit, Catherine, Catherine, Mary, Sarah, Oliver & Rachel Molsbee, five hundred dollars to each, to be paid two years after my death in Current Currency. The amount is to be paid by my three sons, each one hundred dollars to each daughter. If Joseph Molsbee dies, Rachel and Anna is to pay his part to the other daughter. I will and bequeath unto my five grand children, William Molsbee, children, fifty dollars each, to be paid two years after my death in Current Currency, to be paid out of the residue and proceeds of the sale of my property. I give and bequeath unto my five daughters, the residue to be equally divided between my five daughters. The residue also to be paid two years after my death in Current Currency. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint David Molsbee and Abraham Molsbee my sole Executors in this my last Will and Testament. In witness hereunto I have set my hand and affixed my seal, this 13th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteenth.

David Molsbee

Witnessed, sealed and delivered in the presence of the four named David Molsbee to be his last Will and Testament, in witness hereunto we have subscribed our names as witnesses.

Joel C. Williamson
Asbury Williamson
Benjamin Seabury

[See Original]

Will of Edward North

Dated Sept 9, 1832

In the name of God, Amen.

I Edward North of Hawkins County, State of Tennessee, being weak in body but of perfect mind & memory, hands & feet sound, calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament. That is to say, Principally and first, of all I give and recommend my soul to God that gave it, & my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my Executors. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form. First, I give and bequeath unto my Elizabeth one dollar each, my son William daughter Mary, wife Eliza my daughter Pallas daughter Mary, all my variable property, & I grant, devise and give the above named three (3) my wife Eliza, daughter Polly and daughter Nancy, & my son Thomas, fifty dollars, being the last pay moneys of my land. I give and bequeath unto my wife Eliza one hundred dollars, & I do hereby utterly disavow & disannul all & every the former will & Testament before signed & given before named & made by me, & I do hereby make, constitute, ordain, and appoint, my wife Eliza, James Wilson Esq. Executors of the my last Will & Testament.

And whereas I have received of my son Thomas the sum of twenty dollars of his father, one thousand eight hundred and thirty

two, I do hereby make, constitute, ordain, and appoint, my wife Eliza, James Wilson Esq. Executors of the my last Will & Testament. And I do hereby make, constitute, ordain, and appoint, my wife Eliza, James Wilson Esq. Executors of the my last Will & Testament.

Witness my hand

Edward North

Patrick Chan

Will of William Nelson

1832

In the name of God, Amen.

I William Nelson of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee, do make, ordain and constitute this my last Will and Testament, and desire it may be received by all and such as my friends and neighbors. First, of all I give and recommend my soul to the Almighty God that gave it, not without doubting it my spirit and that I shall receive the same again in the quick power of God. Next, I do recommend my body to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my Executors, namely

Thomas Johnson, Shudley, I give and most freely bequeath unto my beloved wife Rebecca Nelson, one mare and colt, two cows and calves, and a number of hogs, & I desire to mention together with all my personal property of all kinds, including my house hold and kitchen furniture of every description, and all other properties now in my possession, to be freely enjoyed by her the said Rebecca Nelson, during her natural lifetime and at her decease, then and in that case, to be disposed of as my Executors shall fit or proper, and I do most solemnly swear in my Executors, namely, before mentioned, to receive the best sense and true meaning of the above instrument, of writing to its full and true contents. The testimony whereof, I seal with my hand and seal, and I have subscribed my name to be his last Will and Testament, and no other. Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us who in the presence of each other have hereunto set our hands this day of — A.D. 1832.

Witness

James Wilson

Patrick Chan

William Nelson Seal

Will of Samuel Neill

Dated Sept 2, 1837

Proven A.D. Dec 1830

I Samuel Neill son of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in which I revoke all other wills by me heretofore made.

First, I declare & declare it to be my will and purpose that my Executors hereinafter named shall out of the profits of my estate existing or to be raised as hereinafter directed, shall pay all my just debts funeral expenses and legal liabilities.

Second, Whereas I have heretofore advanced to and paid for my son James N. Neill sums which taken together with any liabilities as his security, make a full matter of my estate, I therefore declare it to be my will, purpose and desire for the purpose of doing equal and impartial justice between my said James N. Neill & Samuel Neill, that my said son James N. Neill shall in no case receive any further advances or portions of my estate, either real or personal.

Third, I am the owner of an undivided interest in a tract of land lying in Sullivan County, known as the Pryor place, near the North fork of Holston, and partly adjoining the lands of Joshua Phipps. Also an undivided interest in a tract of land in said County

known as the Oregon or Bain place, lying on the Island road, adjoining the lands of David & others, supposed to contain some four hundred or seven hundred acres. Also a tract of land in said County of Tillamook known as the South tract, supposed to contain some ten or fifteen hundred acres in which tract I have an undivided interest. Also an undivided interest in a tract of land lying in Clatsop County, Tillamook, also an undivided interest in some Town lots in Blaine of Klappan Township, also an undivided interest in some Town lots in the Crab Orchard, in the State of Maryland, &c. &c. of which real estate I have devised to the firm of Will & Simpson, and is now owned by myself and the firm of my former partner, the late William Simpson, and I hereby declare it to be my will, and desire that all of the above lands shall remain undivided, and if any shall shall be my Executor he shall on such terms as he may deem best, and the proceeds applied as hereinafter directed, and to enable him the more readily to execute this part of my will, I hereby devise to my son Samuel Will (hereinafter appointed Executor of this my will) the legal title to my undivided interest in all of said lands, and all other lands of which I may die seized and possessed, not otherwise disposed of in this will.

Fourth. It is my will, and I hereby direct my Executor that out of the funds arising from the sale of said property, he shall pay all of my debts &c. as directed in the first clause of this will, in which I declare I direct shall be included whatever sums I may have to pay as security for my son James H. Will.

Fifth. I will, devise & bequeath unto my wife Sedna Will all my property, both real & personal of every kind and description whatsoever, including the funds arising from the sale of lands as directed in the third clause of this will, for and during her natural life.

Sixth. I will and bequeath unto my grand daughter Penelope Will, one poor girl Mary, to have and to hold as an estate in fee after the death of my said wife Sedna.

Seventh. It is my will and desire that my son Samuel Will after the death of his mother, and the payment of my debts, have all the use and residuum of my estate both real and personal excepting the share Mary cleaved to my grand daughter, and therefore I now and devise unto my said son Samuel Will, his heirs & personal representatives all of my real and personal estate of every kind and description whatsoever (except the share Mary) of which I now die seized and possessed, to have and to hold as an estate in fee after the termination of the life estate of my said wife Sedna Will to have & to hold

Eighth. I have considered and appointed my son Samuel Will my Executor of this my last Will and Testament. He proved & was interlined before signed.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5 day of February 1857

Samuel Will

Signed, sealed, acknowledged & published in our presence to the Notary, in whose instance & in whose presence we have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses

J. R. Vance
E. A. Carmichael

Will of Nancy Nugent

Dated Nov 25, 1858

Proven Dec 1858

I, Nancy Nugent of the County of Washington and State of Oregon do make & publish this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me.

First. I desire that my Executor shall pay, all of my just debts and funeral & expenses out of the first moneys that may come into his hands as Executor, and after the payment of my debts & funeral expenses, I will & bequeath all the residue of my money & property of every kind & description of which I may die seized and possessed, to be disposed of in the following manner, to wit: My entire estate to be equally divided between my beloved brother John Nugent and Francis Nugent, and my beloved sister Mary Nugent, who are sons & daughters of Edward Nugent & Mary Nugent, all of whom I left in Ireland many years since. My sister Mary living with our dear mother, in the County of Wick, Ireland, about four or six miles from the town of Mullingar. My will is that my brother John & Francis & my sister Mary each have an equal or an equal share of my estate. If a person, myself that, of either of my said brothers or my said sister, shall have departed this life before or at the time of my death, leaving issue, his share of the said decedent or decedents shall be equally divided amongst him or their respective children, male & female, share and share alike. And in case either of my brothers or sister, in this will mentioned, shall have departed this life at the time of my death, leaving no issue living at that time, my will is that his portion or share in which that brother or sister would have been if living at the time of my death, entitled under the provisions of this will,

shall go to the Survivors or Survivors or to the issue of such brother or Sister as shall have died, leaving issue, to be equally divided between said brother and sister, or their issue. The issue of any living person shall be the representative of the parent or parents. It is further my will that if there should be none of the relatives provided for in the foregoing will, in being at the time of my decease, then my Executor hereinafter named, is hereby constituted a Trustee to hold in trust my estate for the benefit of the Catholic Church of Mullinagh in the County of Wicklow, Ireland, or to transferring the proceeds of my said estate to the Parish Priest of said Church, to be by him used for the benefit of the Church.

And I do hereby appoint James M. Rogan as the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

For reasons satisfactory to myself, but which it is unnecessary for me to state, it is my will and desire that none of the issue or descendants of James M. Rogan, my brother, who died many years since, in Hardwicke County, shall have any share or portion of my estate, and I do hereby disinherit them.

And it is my will and desire that my Executor, to be named as soon after my death as possible, to collect all money or moneys that are due and coming to me, and I desire that he shall be charged no interest on such sums as may come into his hands from the time he shall receive the same, until he shall have received them, and the proper creditors under the will, or under said bequest shall have established their claim to receive the share which they are entitled to receive according to the plan of distribution herein specified or directed.

On Testament, witness, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 24th day of October 1857.

Witness, Signed & acknowledged in our presence, we offering our signatures hereto in the presence of the Notaries and witnesses named at her request, the day and date above written.

Witness

James Johnston

Joseph A. Johnston

I, James M. Rogan, do hereby make and publish this my Codicil to the within last Will and Testament.

My will and desire is that should my brother John Rogan and Francis Rogan, and my sister Mary Rogan, have no children living at the time of my death, but should have grand-

children or any of them should have grand children, then my will and desire is that said grand children shall take shall take and property in the same way provided in my will that the children of the said brother and sister should take my property, and if there should be no grand children of said brother and sister, then my will is, that my property shall go to the Catholic Church as provided in my said will. And it is further my will and desire that from the fact that James M. Rogan, the person appointed in said will as my Executor is indebted to me, and related to most of those who owe me money, I hereby revoke said appointments of James M. Rogan as my Executor, and I do hereby constitute and appoint, James M. Rogan, my Executor of the within my last will and Testament, and Codicil, or in this my Codicil to said will, and I hereby revoke and annul the appointment of James M. Rogan as my Executor. The balance of said will to remain as it is, except as altered by this Codicil. Witness my hand and seal, this 25th day of November 1858.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged and we have subscribed our names in the presence of the Notaries.

Peter Joyce

Eliza M. Knight

James M. Rogan, Esq.

Will of Mary Mathews

Dated May 1859

James M. Rogan, Esq.

I, Mary Mathews of the County of Wicklow, do hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament, revoking all Wills heretofore made. First my Executors are to pay my funeral expenses and all my just debts out of my estate.

Second, I give and bequeath my son John Mathews all the parcel mare called Nelly, one white cow, one calf, and I give the pig, and bed & furniture, bed stand, one wash tub, and three hay racks, I give to my daughter Edna Elizabeth Mathews the black cow, one sow & six pigs, four sheep, one bed & furniture, and all the household furniture consisting of one loom, one wheel, a pair cards, one wash pot, cooking utensils, cup board, ward, and so on, also one sheep.

I request what money I have on hand, and also the proceeds of the sale of one parcel mare to be applied to the payment of a balance due on the land purchased of Edward P. Milerada, so soon as a good and sufficient title is made by said Milerada.

I request that the land remain unsold until my daughter be
older than one year of age. That to be equally divided between
my son Jos. Nelson Ballard & my daughter, Eliza Elizabeth Hubbard.

I further appoint Daniel A. Read my Executor to this my last Will and Testament. Signed this 11th day of May 1859.

Witness
J. L. Etter
S. A. H. Etter

Marx & Wörtheim (Seal)

Will of William Owen

Dated July 4, 1815.

In the name of God, Amen

I, William Owen of Hawkins County, in the State of Tennessee, being first and sworn in body, but of perfect and sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament as follows: I give and bequeath unto my son David Owen all that tract of land whereon he now lives in the place where it has been run and laid off, only the line running towards the North to be so extended as to include the spring on his part. I suppose it contains 100 acres. I give to my son-in-law George Carson all that tract of land whereon he lives, as it has been run and laid off, I suppose it contains 100 or 120 acres. I give to my son David Owen the tract of land whereon he now lives to have in Joseph Rogers line. In a point where a Spring line crosses the branch where the waterworks begins will strike the middle of the hollow that runs towards King Moors and with that hollow to Moores line. I give to my son William Owen all that part of my land between David Owens line and William Adams old line, as run by David Adams. I give to my daughter, Sally Owen, all that part of my land from Pattersons old line to the main road and to my daughter, Delcy Owen all my land on the South side of the road not interfering with the parts allotted to Fain Owen and George Carson. I leave to my son James Owen ten dollars to be paid out of my personal estate. Reserving the possession and profits of the plantation whereon I now live and what part I now rent to the the use of myself and my wife during our natural lives, and after our decease to be held and enjoyed by the legates according to the foregoing distribution. And it is further my will that all my legates shall at all times hereafter enjoy an equal privilege in making use of any timber on any

of the land allotted to any or either of them.

Signed, sealed and delivered this eleventh
day of July A.D. 1815, in presence of,
Messrs Andrew, Nathaniel, ^{and} Fullerfield
Dane Antu, Des Courmay, Thomas James

Will of Eli Overton.

In the name of God, Amen. This is the last will and Testament of Eliu Overton of the County of Newberry and State of Tennessee as follows, viz: he, the said Eliu Overton finding himself sick and weak of body, but in perfect mind and memory, blessed be God, before and calling to mind the frailty of this life and the certainty of death, I do ordain and make this my last will and Testament in form and manner as followeth. I do recommend my soul into the hand of God that gave it, and my body to the earth to be interred therein with decent and Christian burial or in the discretion of my Executors hereafter to be named, and as for what worldly goods it hath pleased God to bless me withall, I do will and bequeath in manner and form as followeth, viz.

I now give and bequeath all my land and plantation where I now live with all the rest of my whole Estate of every description of Stock and household and kitchen furniture to my beloved wife Melly Overton during her lifetime and after her decease her own desire is that everything of my whole Estate that remains shall be equally divided between Sally Grantham and Scatty Grantham. I do give and bequeath it to them and their heirs forever. This I do make and ordain in my last Will and Testament. I do also leave my beloved wife Melly Overton and James Murrel my Executors to act for me. E. D.

Francis Mashead

Eli Overton

Mathew Winstead.

Will of Milla Overton.

Saturday Aug 19 1858

Proven Cello Tenor 1858.

I, Miller Overton being of sound and disposing memory, do hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me made. And as related to my little personal property, having nothing but what was bestowed upon me.

by the Government of the United States as a pensioner for the services of my husband in the Revolutionary war, and a claim that Saml Powell, my agent is prosecuting before the pension office of the United States, for arrears of pension.

"I will and beguads* of the pension the true and aver-
ages of pension due, prosecuted by said Pawel. So much
as will be sufficient to amply pay Susan Wells for taking care
of me, nursing me in my sickness so that she may be amply
and fully indemnified for all her trouble. And beliaufs that
said money if obtained will not more than pay said Susan
Wells for said trouble and pay my burial expenses and
will is that said Susan after paying said expenses has what
ever may be conduid to me as above stated. Witness my hand
and seal this 19th day of August 1858.

-Excelsior acknowledges in
our presence;

F. Brewer,
M.E. Wells,
John Lawson,

Will of Gabriel Phillips

Dated Aug 4 1812

In the name of God Amen.

St. Gabriel, Phillips of the Council of American and
State of Tennessee. Man of perfect mind and intention. Thanks
be to Almighty God for the same. With ordains and esteems this my
last will and Testament, that is to say, First, I recommend my
soul to God that gave it, my body to the dust of the earth to be decently
buried in some Christian Burial place at the discretion of my Executor
Secondly, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Welly Phillips all
my house hold and kitchen furniture during her lifetime and until
my said wife shall in marriage it is to go to the use and support
of my family to be disposed of at the rest of my said will.

Further, I have a bond on Abner Chapman to make a title to a certain parcel of land lying in the County of Franklin, my will is that my son John Phillips shall have the same by his John Phillips paying one half of the purchase money, at the time it becomes due and my Exccutors paying the other half, and be it well understood that John Phillips is to pay half the other half that my Exccutors is to pay into their hands at the Expiration of four years and then and in that case my Exccutors to make a deed of

Conveyance to said John Phillips and his heirs or assigns, I do give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Phillips, a horse and saddle to be worth sixty five dollars, when he arrives to the age of twenty one years of age, And so in like manner, till my sons to receive a horse and saddle to be worth as much as that Thomas is to have, to be paid out of my estate when each of them shall arrive at the years of twenty one.

I did also give and bequeath to my daughter Polly Patters a feather bed, to much Turkish^{or} pounds of feathers, and a cow to be worth eight dollars, to be paid within three months after my decease. And so in like manner I give and bequeath to each of my daughters as much, and in the same property as Polly is to have when they and each of them shall arrive to the age of eighteen years of age, & to be paid out of my Estate.

Whereas I have now a bond to William Kelle with certain conditions and I have enjoined all my Executors as a particular injunction to see that the bond is faithfully complied with and require my Executors to make a deed of conveyance to said William Kelle according to the conditions of said bond as soon as it is convenient to have it done.

And lastly, As to all the rest of my Estate I allow to my wife for her use and support of my family as long as she remains my widow, or until my youngest son comes of age, and then if my children can not agree in a division, all my property is to be sold and equally divided between all my children sons and daughters equally abids. I have also appoint my beloved wife Phillis Phillips, Isaac Barton, Jacob Coffman and David Egan Esqr. Executors of this my last Will and Testaments, to be acknowledged. Given at New York the 18th 1712.

Signed, Sealed, published and delivered
in the presence of us, who was present at
the signing of the same

James McCollough
Zadok Moore
Robert Phillips

Gabriel ^{his} Phillips. Seal
man

Will of Christian Pearson.

Dated May 14. 1819.

In the name of God, Amen.

J. Christian Pearson Secy of Hawkins County
State of Tennessee King of Saml's perfect mind & memory. Passed to God

do this 14 day of May in the year of our Lord 1812 make and pub-
lish this my last Will & Testament, in manner following that is
to say: It is my will and desire to give all my Estate to all my
sons & daughters to be divided between equally, provided how-
ever upon condition that none of them attempt to raise an account
against my Estate for work that they did for me after my decease
of age, or in case any of them do attempt to raise an account as
above stated, then and in that case, It is my will & intention that
each one of them so raising an account, shall have one dollar
each, to be taken out of my Estate, or in that case it is my will and
intention that the balance of my Estate be equally divided among
the rest of my sons & daughters, that do not raise accounts against
my Estate, provided none of my sons and daughters attempt to raise
accounts against my Estate as above provided against, then in
that case I give & bequeath all my Estate both real & personal
to all my said sons and daughters, namely: Michael Pearson,
Betsey Jones, Polly Shanks, Geo. Pearson, Christian Pearson,
Cathy Besten, Lawrence Pearson, John Pearson, Henry Pearson,
Bella, Pigeon, Peony Nash and Hester Pearson, to be equally
divided among them, I think I have said to him & them here before
I solemnly provided any of them do attempt to raise an account as
aforesaid, that I give & bequeath to each of my sons & daughters so
raising accounts against my Estate as aforesaid, the sum of one dol-
lar each, to be taken out of my Estate, when & then here before
I solemnly provided, that any of my said sons or daughters shall
raise an account against my Estate for work done after my decease
of age as aforesaid, then in that case I give and bequeath all the
balance of my Estate, after the one dollar apiece for such as raise
accounts is taken out, to all of my sons and daughters that do not
raise accounts as aforesaid, to be equally divided among them, I have
said to him & them here before

And I do hereby appoint my sons Lawrence Pearson and Henry Pearson
Executors of this my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof
I the said Christian Pearson have to this my last Will & Testament
set my hand and seal this day and year above written.

Christian Pearson Test

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the said Christian Pearson as
the Testator as his last Will & Testament, in the presence of us who were
present at the time of signing thereof.

Reuben Naublin Robert Carden
James Carden J. W. Carden
H. Abund

Will of John Pelant

[Proved 1822]

In the name of God

Be it remembered that I John Pelant of the County of
Hawkins and State of Tennessee being weak in body but sound
in mind and memory, Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life,
this my last Will and Testament in manner and as follows: that
is to say, My wife Sarah Pelant is to have all my property of every
description in her power to make sale of any of said property
so far as to pay all my debts, and the balance she is to have
her lifetime or widowhood, and let it be understood that the
balance of my property is to support my wife and across the
children that is not of age, and let it be remembered that my
son Robert and my son George is to have all my land and
live that my wife marries or she become of age, and if one of them
should die before they are of age, My son John is to have that
one part, and if he both should die, my son Thomas is to have
the other part.

And I give my son Joseph Six Shillings, And I give to my
son James Six Shillings, And I give my son William Six Shillings,
And I give my son Harry Six Shillings, And I give my son Sam-
shun Six Shillings, And I give my daughter Charles four Six Shil-
lings, And I give my daughter Maria Coulter Six Shillings, And
I give my daughter Polly Six Shillings, And I give to my daughter
Melley Six Shillings, And I give my daughter Michael Six Shil-
lings, And I give my daughter Betsey Six Shillings, And I give
my son Thomas Six Shillings, And I give my son John Six Shillings.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal

John Pelant Test

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of Robert Nash
and John Jones and Jacob Charles
Robert Nash
John Jones
Jacob Charles

Will of Henry Pearson

13 Oct 1841

I Henry Pearson of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament
hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any
time heretofore made, And first I direct that my body be de-
cently interred in a manner suitable to my condition in life.
And as to such worldly Estate as is hath pleased God to bestow

me with the dispose of the same as follows, first I direct that my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of any money that I may be possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Executors from any portion of my Estate real or personal, &

Secondly, I have said bequeath to my beloved wife all my Estate real and personal, I do also wish her to make sale of all the personal property immediately after my death if need requires it to settle my debts but if not I wish her to have the use of all the property real and personal so long as she lives or remains a widow. I wish her to give each of my children one hundred and fifty dollars out of my Estate so soon as my affairs in the way of debts are paid or ~~are~~ or sooner if they marry younger. The amount if not paid in money is easy to be discharged in property to the best valuation. I consider that Louisa Davis has already had her hundred & fifty dollars but if my wife should marry at any time after my death I wish my Estate to be immediately disposed of as the law directs in such cases, and after each getting one hundred & fifty dollars, the balance equally divided.

I do hereby make ordain and appoint my beloved wife and my beloved son Christopher Columbus Executor of my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the thirteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and forty one

Signed, sealed and published

in the presence of us

Neu Wilder

M. L. Wilder.

Henry H. Parsons Secy

Will of Jane Patterson

Dated Feb'y 28, 1842.

In the name of God Amen

I, Jane Anderson of the County of Franklin and State of Tennessee being sick and weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be to God for the same and calling on to mind the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the hereafter life, do this day make publish and declare this as and for to be my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following to-wit: I desire that all my just debts and financial expenses be fully paid and satisfied.

Now I give and bequeath unto my daughter Betsey, my old Sorrel mare, one fallen leaf saddle, one walnut Cupboard, and the equal part of the Cupboard and Kitchen Furniture, half a dozen of Churns also an equal part of my hogs. Now I give and bequeath unto my son William, my young Sorrel mare, my Smith tools, and bed & clothing, also an equal part of my hogs, an equal part of the Kitchen Furniture, an equal part of the Cupboard Furniture. I desire that my son William send my grand son David James Patterson to school to learn to read and write, and that he give said David J. Patterson one horse and saddle at the age of twenty years, provided, he stays with him until that period. Now I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha, my Binears, also my young bay horse ten years old, half a dozen of Churns, an equal part of the Cupboard and Kitchen Furniture, an equal part of my hogs. Now I give and bequeath unto my daughter Susannah Hinder Patterson, my young bay horse one year old, part one walnut Chest, one black Cow and her calf, half a dozen of Churns, and equal part of the Cupboard and Kitchen Furniture and Coffee Mill. An equal part of the hogs.

Am. I for and together with my grand daughter Martha Pat-
erson, and Geo. Harding, one flax wheel and a small truck.

Now, I give and bequeath unto my grand son James Patterson one Nuts Cove. Now I do further bequeath unto my daughter Jane the one bed and clothing. Now I do further give & bequeath unto my daughter Betsey, Marsha & Susanna Sloughter and my son William each an equal share of my table lining. I do so far this give and bequeath unto my son William Patterson my rub of fifty acres of land in the waters of Big Rock & adjacent lands of his son William. Now I do further give and bequeath unto Betsey a pair of drawing chains. And my wearing Apparel to be equally divided between my three daughters herefor mentioned. Now I do further give and bequeath unto my four sons, Isaac, James, George, Adam and John Patterson, one dollar each. Now I do further give & bequeath unto my son William my large family Bible. Lastly I do hereby annulate and appoint Charles Coffin Clerk Reader my Executor of this my last Will and Testament, revoking and declaring this to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 28 day of February 1842
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of
Jane Patterson ^{her} _{mother} & ^{her} _{mother} & ^{her} _{mother}

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

Sp^{ca} Alexander William ^{his} Smith John Patterson

The word part. in 19th line & the word saddle in 25th line were

Will of William Phillips.

Vald. Dec 12. 1845.

Moni Dec Term 1856

I, William Phipps of the County of Madison and State of Tennessee being of sound mind, for feeling the uncertainty of the mortal life, and the necessity of preparing for death by making a necessary arrangement of my temporal affairs, do make and declare the following my last Will and Testament, to take effect and annulling all others to wit: That first, I will and bequeath unto my four grandsons, son of my son Edward E. Phipps deceased, to wit, Mr. Phipps, Joshua Laffay, Eli Phipps, James Delosky Phipps and Edward E. Phipps, all the land lying on the South Side of Holston River owned by me and now in possession of my daughter Jane Phipps, widow of Edward E. Phipps deceased, to have and to enjoy said divided portion as my four grandsons above named share and share alike, to them and their heirs forever and to be under the control of the widows during her natural life, but should any of the said heirs die before they arrive to lawful age, without lawful issue then living then I leave or share in said land to descend to the surviving brothers.

I am married I am and my dear daughter Elizabeth & Childwell wife
of John Childwell are very generous, named Rachel and her increase.
Also stock household and kitchen furniture all of which she has before received
from Mr. To our daughter Mary Childwell wife of Jacob Childwell from
and beyond her own poor baggage in addition to what she has before received
of me. Item #7. To our daughter Margaret Childwell's wife of
John Childwell from and beyond her own poor household items, clothes
china also stock and household furniture all of which she has here-
before received of me.

From St. Louis and beyond, under my daughter's special care of John Miller the negro woman named Ouida and also one negro girl called Combedah named Roda. Her household and kitchen furniture all of which she has heretofore received of me.

Item 6. In my Aqueduct letter, I've deposed wife to Sarah Loomis & her
lifetime work of me and my sons' personal success. Alice also took house-
hold and kitchen furniture, considered by me a full share with my other
daughters above mentioned.

Now I do will and bequeath to my daughter Anne A. wife of John Shields my
piece of Indian land and her of her children namely George Scott and all
the income from the date of this should be my said the said George Scott
that she has now in her possession Ambrose & Adeline to her and the heirs
of her body forever

Thos. S. Smith and bequeath to my grandson Edward Edwin Shields, son of John A. Smith

With A Shields, my negro boy Cain (Child of signature) to be held in trust by his father and his Uncle Wm A Phillips until he are twenty years shall have become twenty one years of age. It is my will that the said negro boy Cain, be hired out to the highest bidder when he shall fourteen years of age year after year until my grand son comes of age and the proceeds of the hire of said boy to be applied to the use of said two my said grand son, and if said grand son should die before he should come of age or without lawful issue, then said sum to be my daughter Fanny A Shields, to her and the heirs of her body forever. Also I wish to my grand son Edward C. Shields above named, a good garden bed and furniture for the same.

Nov 9th. Our son Joshua Phipps Sonell sent beneath in addition to what he has already received of me a negro boy named Sam.

Nov 10th To my son William P. Phelps I will and bequeath in addition to what he has already received of me a tract or parcel of land containing fifty acres to the same place or less off the lower end of my home place, beginning at a post oak and black oak, Conditional Corner to my tract and the Merrill tract, now owned by Mr. Lyman or see running South sixty West with a pine marked line to the back line of the old Corwin grant then South half four, East along the old line to the corner Oak and Birch was a small spring at the foot of a large hill being the corner between the Merrill tract and the tract on which I now live, then N 30° E 1/2 S East along the old marked line to a black oak and grove marked line North along the old line to the beginning of them and his heirs forever.

Nov 10th To my son Thomas M. Phelps I will nothing more to him already owned he still share in East nearest.

June 12th 8. My son James & Miss Smith and Margaret Small
or parcel of land purchased of Margaret Sargant containing
and situated and forty acres more or less, bounded as follows:
Begins on the bank of Nottam River in a small Island on an
Ash tree for corner a meadow Lane crossing passing through
a marked line between Mr. Christman's myself South side river
a half mile to white oak on the old fallen line 3 or 4 rods then a
further point, then with the old Indian line South twenty five and fifty
Poles to white oak corner Sargant's old land, then along a marked line
forward the line between Margaret Sargant and myself to the bank
of Nottam River to the corner Elm, then up the meadow of the river
to the beginning, to him and his heirs forever. Also this record with
Mina's Charles & Bob also are tied & furnished with a full share
of stock farming utensils &c all which he has received