

and good children if there be any money left from the sales of property I allow it to be equally divided between my son William Brown John & Constant & Thomas - It is also my will and desire and so appoints William J. Ross & Woodruff Parker my executors to this my last will and Testament. In witness I set my hand and seal this 21 day of August the year above written

In presence of - { the named parties } John McWilliam
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W. A. Russell { lined before signed and }
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WILLIAMS WILL

I John Davis of the County of Lincoln & State of Massachusetts in a low state of health, and knowing the uncertainty of this mortal life, and the certainty of death, do make, ordain & publish the following as my last will & testament

First - It is my will after my decease I shall be buried in a plain & Christian like manner and that my funeral expenses be in proportion to my circumstances.

Second - It is my will that all my just debts & funeral expenses, be paid as soon out of personal estate as soon after my death as practicable.

Third - I give to my beloved wife Sarah Davis, during her natural life that portion of my tract of land wherein I now live, described as follows: Beginning at my lower corner on Davis' creek, running thence of the same, with my line, to the cross fence, thence runs a little south of my Barn, thence with that line of fence, so far that by running Northwards (thence Northwards will include four acres around said Barn, thence continuing with the direction of said cross fence Northwards Northwesterly so far that by running Southwards will run with the line of fence between my pasture land, and the land now cultivated by

Edward Johnson, to my South boundary line, thence Eastwardly to the beginning, including my dwelling house, and other houses within said bounds. I also give to my wife two cows & six pigs to be of her choosing, also my horse called Billy & my man called Jolly. I also give to my wife during her natural life my negro woman named Amy, unless she should become unmanageable, in that case she is to be sold by my executor upon a credit at the option of my said executor, & the proceeds loaned out upon interest, which interest is to be applied to the benefit of my wife, I also give to my wife two beds, bedsteads & furniture of her choosing, I also give to my wife my China press, together with my China ware & table furniture, together with as much of my kitchen furniture as she may need - I also give to my wife one of Bussies.

Fourth - It is my will that the residue of my land be rented out by my executor, until such time, as he may think it advisable to sell the same, & then to sell the same upon such terms as he may think best for the estate - It is also my will that that portion of my land laid off for the use of my wife during her life be also sold by my executor upon the death of my wife, upon such terms and credit as he may think proper, unless my wife should choose to let the same be sold during her lifetime, and at the time the residue of my land should be sold, and to take in money a sufficient price for the same.

Fifth - I give & bequeath to my daughters Martha Jane & Margaret Elizabeth, five hundred & twenty five dollars each, in cash to be paid them by my executor.

Sixth - I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Johnson & the heirs of her body four hundred & eighty dollars out of the first moneys that shall come to the hands of my executor, after paying my debts & expenses which is to be paid by my said executor in the purchase of a negro woman for my said daughter Sarah Johnson & the heirs of her body.

Seventh - I give & bequeath to my said daughter Martha Jane and Margaret Elizabeth each a father bed, bedstead & furniture.

Eighth - I give & bequeath to my son Campbell S. Davis four hundred & twenty five dollars in cash, to be paid him by my executor, if my said son should be living and apply for the same, if not, then the same is to be

equally divided between my four daughters now living & my two grand children, being the children of my daughter Maudine MacMillan deceased, they too together to have an equal share with one of the others or one fifth part of the said five hundred & twenty five dollars. I also give to my said two grand children one hundred & fifty dollars each.

Fourth - I give & bequeath to my son Levy Davis, fifty dollars.

Fifth - I give & bequeath to my two grand children, being the daughters of my son Spencer Davis one hundred & fifty dollars each.

Sixth - I give & bequeath to my son-in-law Holden Parks four hundred & fifty dollars.

Seventh - It is my will that my negro man Jim, remain on Land my farm the ensuing year for the purpose of making a crop which crop when made is to be sold by my executor. It is further my will, that my said executor hire out my said negro man Jim until such time as he may think it best to sell him & then to sell him upon such terms & to whom as he may think best.

Eighth - It is my will, that all my stock of horses, cattle, sheep, & pigs except what is herein bequeathed to my wife, together with all the residue of my kitchen furniture, farming tools, of every description and every other thing or species of property not herein specially bequeathed, be sold by my executor, and proceeds applied to the payment of the legacies herein ^{before} mentioned.

Nine lastly - It is my will if there should be any thing remaining after paying off the legacies herein before named, (the same) to be equally divided between my three daughters, Caroline Parks, Martha Jane & Margaret Elizabeth.

I hereby constitute, nominate & appoint my son-in-law Holden Parks sole executor of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this ninth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty four.

Hugh Thomson

H. Cunningham

John Davis (Seal)

William Howell's

I William Howell do make & publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking & making void all other wills by me at any time made.

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys I may die possessed of or may ^{first} come into the hands of my executor. Secondly - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Natharine all of my lands which I now live on also the negro (slave) My Son, Alon, Sammy & Miles, & all the furnishable property, all of my household and kitchen furniture after all of my debts are paid out of said property.

Thirdly - I give and bequeath to my daughter Catharine Mary two negroes, to wit, Grace and Mild, also one cow and calf, one bed & furniture which she has received that being all that I intend for her or her heirs out of my estate to have.

Fourthly - I give and bequeath to my son Robert William the tract of land he now possesses, worth five hundred dollars two horses and saddle, worth eighty dollars each three cows and calves worth each, one gun worth fifteen dollars one bed and furniture.

Fifthly - I give and bequeath to my son David James the tract of land worth three hundred and twenty five dollars one saddle, worth sixteen dollars and ten dollars in cash, one cow & calf worth eight dollars and one bed and furniture.

Sixthly - I give and bequeath to my son John Wesley in tract of land worth five hundred dollars, one horse worth fifty dollars, one saddle worth fifteen dollars, one cow & calf worth eight dollars, one bed & furniture.

Seventhly - I give and bequeath to my daughter Merrick one horse worth thirty five dollars, two cows & calves worth eight dollars each, one bed & furniture.

Eighthly - I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Milton one tract of land worth sixteen hundred dollars and one cow and calf worth eight dollars, one horse worth sixty dollars, one saddle worth sixteen dollars, one bed & furniture.

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