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The Last Will of William Millard Dead
I William Millard 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,

First I desire that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid
as soon after my death as possible out of any monies
that I may be seized and possessed of or may first
come into the hands of my Executors

Secondly I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife
Mary (if she survives me) the plantation on which
I now reside together with as much ^{of my} stock of all
of all kinds Farming utensils house hold and
kitchen furniture as will be necessary for her
support Conventional and Comfort for and
during her natural life I also give to my wife
so much of the Crop & provisions as will be sufficient
to support her and the family that may reside with
her for the term of one year after my death. It is
also my will & wish that if my wife dies before
the youngest child becomes ^{one} year old,
for the family to reside upon the plantation
until the youngest child does become of age free
from charge except the keeping of the plantation
in good Repair. And if I should survive my
wife it is still my will and wish for my family
to reside upon the plantation as before stated.

Whereas I have heretofore given to my Daughters
(upon their ~~their~~ marriage Margaretta Simms
Celia Smith & Sarah Martin each one horse &
saddle worth about fifty Dollars and one Cow & Calf
worth about Eleven Dollars and one bedstead
and furniture worth about

Now it is my will and wish for the rest of my children
to wit; Nathan Thomas Cynthia Mary Jane
William & John Millard to have like parts of like
value.

Thirdly It is my will and wish after my wife and
others are provided for as heretofore directed
for the residue of my personal estate to be sold
on a Credit of twelve months and when the

money is collected to be equally divided between all my
children or their representatives, that is to say it is my will
and wish for my grand child or children to have that part
or portion that their Father or Mother would have been
entitled to if living

Fourthly It is my will and wish after my youngest child
becomes of age and death of my wife for my Executors
to see all my estate both real & personal that is to say to
see my real property to the highest bidder upon a credit of
one or two years and my personal property on a credit of
one year taking bond and security from the purchaser
also retaining a lien on the land to secure the payment
of the purchase money money for the same. And when the
money is collected to be equally divided between all my
children or their representatives as hereto fore directed
Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Thomas Hampton
my Executor in which order I do to this my will
let my hand & seal this 16 day of August 1853

William ^{his} Millard
Signed sealed and published in a ^{month} ^{open} presence
and we have subscribed our names hereto in the
Presence of the Testator August the 16th 1853

John Harris
Hewell Hean's
Proven in open Court the 3rd day of March 1856
Celia Hean's Clerk