

Piercy all my real and personal estate during her widowhood.

2^d I give and bequeath unto my two sons Bryant and Bader Piercy all the Land on which I now live to be equally divided between them according to quality and quantity, so that Bader's part include the building or my present residence, and in case either Bryant or Bader Piercy die without issue the survivor to have all the Land.

3^d my will and desire is that all the residue of my estate, after the marriage or death of my wife be equally divided amongst all my children, with two exceptions the first is that Reuben Piercy receive one dollar as his part and no more, the second is that all the children or heirs except Reuben receive forty nine dollars and eighty seven cents more than the heirs of Nancy Perry as they have received that amount in advance.

The right and title of the said property to be vested in them and their heirs forever.

I hereby constitute and appoint my son William Piercy James Howell and Lemuel Howell Executors of this my last will and Testament, finally revoking all former wills and bequests and acknowledging this and this only to be my last will and Testament.

Signed, sealed delivered and pronounced by Bader Piercy
 Sent Executor of his last will and Testament in the presence of
 of Martin Wiggs
 Wm Piercy

Sylvia Simms
 Will

Provs at Dec. Term, 1847
 See Minute Book No. 5, p. 615.

The will of Sylvia Simms, dead coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid diligent search for it has been made in my office, and it cannot be found.

James G. Davis
 Will

Provs at Nov. Term 1847
 See Minute Book No. 5, p. 620

The will James G. Davis, dead coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid - diligent search for it has been made in my office, and it cannot be found.

Elizabeth D. Robinson
 Will

Provs at Dec. Term, 1847
 See Minute Book No. 5, p. 626.

In the name of God, Amen
 I Elizabeth D. Robinson of the County of Madison and State of Tennessee, Being in declining health though of perfect Mind and Memory as usual, And knowing that it is appointed once for all to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, and it is my desire that it be received by all as such =

1st I allow all my just debts to be paid.

2^d I give and bequeath to my beloved Sisters Mary Robinson and Sarah Robinson, or either of them surviving all my entire estate, consisting of Money, Household and Kitchen furniture and some stock, to have and to hold, and to dispose of as they please =

3^d I appoint my brother Moses T. Robinson Executor of this my last will and Testament.

This 20th day of December, in the year of our Lord, One thousand, Eight Hundred and Forty-Six.
 Elizabeth D. Robinson

Signed and sealed in the presence of us, Witnesses.
 John Hunter
 Cyrus A. Wallace.

Hannah Gibson
 Will

Provs at Dec. Term, 1847
 See Minute Book No. 5, p. 629

In presence of Almighty God, Amen.
 I Hannah Gibson of the County of Madison and State of Tennessee, being weak in body but of sound mind

and disposing memory, do make and establish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to-wit:

1st It is my will that all my just debts be paid out of my estate.

2^d I give to my daughters Peggy Williams Ruthe Brown and the children of Betsy Henderson and the children of Mary Stilwell, two Beds Bedsteads and furniture.

3^d I will that all the residue of my household and kitchen furniture be sold together with all my stock my corn, fodder, wheat and cotton on a credit of twelve months.

4th I will that my land and negroes be equally divided, between into seven equal parts, together with the money arising from the sale of the other property and if the land and negroes can not be divided into equal shares then and in that case the land to be sold on a credit of one and two years by my Executor with interest from the same from the day of sale, also my negroes to be sold on a credit of twelve months with out interest.

5th I give to my daughter Peggy Williams and her children one seventh part of my estate for their use.

6th I give to the children of Betsy Henderson dead one seventh part as I have to Peggy Williams.

7th I give to Thomas H. Longmire and his children one seventh part as before.

8th I give to Joseph Longmire and his children one seventh part for their use.

9th I give to the children of John Longmire one seventh part of my estate and it is my wish that my Executor buy a piece of Land for a home for the widow of John Longmire and that the title be made to the children.

10th I give to Ruthe barn and her children for their use one seventh part as I have done to rest.

11th I give to the children of Mary Stilwell one seventh part for their use.

12th I will my waggon and the gear

belonging to the same to be sold as my other perishable property.

13th I give to my grand daughter Cordelia H. Stilwell my saddle.

14th The portion given to the children of Mary Stilwell it is my wish that it be for their raising and schooling of them.

15th and last - I appoint my friend Micajah Fly my Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 9th November 1847.

Narah Luskison

attest

Alexander Turner

J B Grady

Paris Alexander

Will

Proved at Feby Term 1848.

See Minute Book 72 5. p. 651.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Paris Alexander of the State of Tennessee Madison County, being of sound mind but weak in body, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life and being desirous of dispose of all my worldly goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with. Make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows, to-wit:

I desire that immediately after my death that my funeral expenses be paid and as soon as possible and all my just debts be paid by my Executors to be hereafter named.

Item - I give to my oldest son Thomas H. Alexander five dollars to be paid when called for.

Item - I give to my daughter Beleva Moore the place that she now lives on. I have made her a deed for it and it is now in Jackson at Office provided that she pay James Thomson 250 Dollars or life my note that he holds on for that amount.

Item - I give to my son James M. Alexander a

part of the house and land whereon I now live. that is to say, Beginning at the North East corner of Ross deed and running South with the fence as far as the corner where it turns West thence down the Spring branch until comes to Armetted line all East of this line I give to James and all west to Ross to have and to hold, them their heirs and assigns for ever. likewise I give to James a negro man called Adam and to Ross a boy called George.

Item. - I give to my daughter Isabella M. Alexander a negro girl called Ann with her increase to be at disposal at her death, with a horse saddle bridle and blanket.

Item. - I give my daughter Mary N. Talor one negro girl called Eliza to her and heirs.

Item. - I give my daughter Susan C. Utley a negro girl called Holly to her and heirs.

Item. - I give my daughter Cynthia C. Talor a negro boy called Adazi to her and her heirs.

Note. Isabella is to have her living on the place as long as she pleases if she remains single.

Item. - I give to my beloved wife all the rest of my property to have and hold as long as she lives and to be disposed of as she may think proper, provided she make a will if not it is my wish that it be equally divided among the six younger heirs.

Notes. - James my son holds notes against me which I think he must not claim if this will stands how much the are I know not but think two or three Hundred Dollars, if James hold on and claims the amount of his notes then he is not to have any share in the last dividend it then fall to the five younger heirs.

I ordain and appoint my sons James and Robt my Executors of this my last will and Testament and as I have always taught them to deal justly to love mercy and walk humbly with their God, so I hope they will continue to do so.

Paris Alexander

Andrew Ragsdale

Will

Prove at April Term, 1848.

See Minute Book No. 57 p. 679.

In the name of God, Amen!

I, Andrew Ragsdale of the County of Madison and State of Tennessee, being weak and low in body but in perfect mind as usual, And calling to mind the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life do make this my last will and Testament, to-wit:

After all my just debts are paid, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Ragsdale, and for the benefit and support of her and my family, my entire property, consisting of the tract of land on which I now live and stock hogs, cattle and horses, with the exception of my young gray horse. during my wifes widowhood. my will and desire is should she at any time wish to leave the land as a home, for it to be sold with my other property and an equal distribution or division be made of it amongst her and my children - or in case she should ever again marry. she will and desire is, and I hereby give unto my son William my above named Gray Horse.

My will and desire is, and I do hereby appoint my son William my whole and sole Executor to settle and close all my business or Estate.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this 23^d day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Six.

Test. { Nick P. Stone

Test. { Nick P. Stone
John Hunter

Andrew Ragsdale

William Harris

Will

Prove at May Term, 1848.

See Minute Book No. 57 p. 684

The will of William Harris, coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid, diligent search has been made for it in my office, and it cannot be found.

Nathan Holloman
Will

Prove at Sept. Term, 1848.
See Minute Book No. 5-p. 710.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Nathan Holloman of the State of Tennessee and County of Madison, being weak in body, but of sound and perfect mind & memory, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, to-wit:

I give and bequeath unto my Sister Hymen's three children Elizabeth Harriet Pety and Mary Jane one hundred and seventy acres of land, it being and lying in Johnson County North Carolina, it being a part of the Tract of Land whereon my Father Jesse Holloman died in said County &c.

I desire that the above named tract of Land shall be equally divided between the above named Elizabeth Harriet Pety and Mary Jane, to be and remain theirs for their proper and sole use, them and their proper heirs forever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this my twentieth day in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three.

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named Nathan Holloman to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator.

Isiah V. Harris
John Swan.

Nathan Holloman

William P. Godwin
Will

Prove at Sept. Term 1848,
See Minute Book No. 6-p. 711.

I, William P. Godwin, do this day April 1st in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight, com-

mence this my first Will and Testament believing myself to be in possession of sane mind though body frail, And feeling this to be one of the most solemn obligations man has to

execute of a temporal nature, I commence with an impartial feeling of love and devotion to my dearly beloved and loving family and do sincerely cherish the hope that the little hand earnings I am about to bequeath may be as thankfully received and appreciated as is so willingly bestowed and that it may be taken care of as the most important consideration to themselves as well as a just tribute of respect and gratitude to their benefactor is my humble and sincere prayer.

Section First.

I direct that my funeral rites and ceremony be conferred agreeable to men of my circumstances and the expenses thereof and all my other debts be paid as soon after my death as practicable out of any money that I may die seized and possessed of. Or may first come into the hands of my executor and my Executor the former of whom is my dearly beloved and loving wife and the latter my sincere friend and relation Col. Hardy M. Burton, both of whom I desire to act.

Section Second.

I will and bequeath my personal and real estate to my dearly beloved and loving companion Mary B. Godwin and my dear little children, to-wit: Fanny L. William P. Mary Susan, Frank B. Godwin and any more that may be born heirs of my body, subsequent this will and testament, conformably to be kept in common or together and the interest or proceeds arising from its operation to go to their mutual benefit as long as my dearly beloved and loving companion remains sole, And if in the weakness of human nature she should marry again it is my will and desire that she shall have a child's part abstracted from the common stock of personal and real estate to hold and to have during her lifetime and no longer and then I hereby will and bequeath the same to go back into the common stock from whence it came, if it stands undivided and then to be divided among my children the heirs of my body as hereafter mentioned. And I furthermore

will and bequeath to my dearly beloved and loving companion the house girl Sucky, also lately to have and dispose of as she pleases, and the portion above mentioned. (to-wit) personal and real estate is to go back for the benefit of my children as her right in these is nominal.

Section Third. - The real estate of which I am seized and possessed of in Madison County having no other at this time I will and desire to be sold, (to-wit) first - my interest in the Spring Creek Factory lands and tenements and appurtenances which is one half of the whole as my partnership agreements, deeds, bond &c will show. The lands attached thereto are as follows: Six or seven acres purchased of David Mathis, fifteen or sixteen acres purchased of J. P. Houghton Esqr. bonded to W. P. Godwin and H. Alexander, while we were in partnership in the factory which lies in front of the Factory north, and joining the six or seven acres above mentioned, and lies also South and West of Spring Creek and one hundred and twenty one acres lying South and West of the other Factory lands above mentioned purchased of W. Levgant and David Mathis or the latter's agent Jas Mathis, which was at the time an occupied and deed land in my name but is joint stock with the other lands attached to the Factory these are all that belong jointly at the Factory. The ballance belonging individually are as follows, The farm on which I live about 200 acres, the house and lot at Spring Creek rented out to Jas. H. Lugin containing 22 acres of land. The place at the head of Spring Creek commonly called the Sheldon place containing 136 acres. The proceeds of the sales of the lands, tenements and appurtenances as above mentioned, to go to the purchase of a farm in Rutherford County or wherever my wife may desire it, and whatever amount of money that is left after the said purchase is to go to the purchase of young negroes, and the farm and negroes, the title of both land and negroes to be taken in the name of my lawful

heirs as contained in the section second but this change of my property in Madison to money and thence real estate and negroes as directed above is not in no wise invalidate or impair the rights of my children, in ultimately obtaining their intire right to my whole estate personal and real at the death of my dearly beloved and loving companion no more than if no transfer or change had not have happened.

Section Fourth. - I will and bequeath to my daughter Fanny Dickens and my son William Powell one thousand dollars each more than my other children for the sole reason that their eye sight is deficient, either in money or property at the time the several divices are made, or at such time as is hereinafter mentioned.

Section Fifth. - If any of my children die either in their minority or majority without heirs of their bodies the property goes back to my other children real and personal and that all the property that I die seized or possessed of real and personal that former more properly I mean land and negroes are not to go to any body else but the heirs of their body if they ever have any and in the event any or all of them should fail to have any heirs lawfully the property goes to my other children that remain alive the property is immediately to go back and not to be held by their husbands or wives if they have any their lifetimes.

Section Sixth. - As each child becomes of age I will and desire that their part or allotment shall be abstracted from the common stock of the whole consecutively until it is all absorbed by commissioners appointed by a court of justice or judicature.

Section Seventh. - I desire and will that my dearly beloved and loving wife shall be superintendent of the property while jointly connected in the common stock as above mentioned to manage it for the best interest to herself and our children and in the event she fails to manage it without loss or fail to make it meet

and cover their annual expenses to give it up to some person whom she may suggest taking bond and security under the jurisdiction of a Court; or if she should change her situation to a married life again the property must then be taken out of her hands and put in charge of some competent person or guardian to the children except the part assigned her during her life time that she is to have during her life time, and then to be returned as heretofore mentioned in section second.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this Sixth day of April 1848

William P. Godwin

Acknowledged before us to be his act and deed and we have subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of the testator this day of

Jos. S. Moore
Storg. Organ

Andrew W. Harrison
Will

Proven at March Term 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6 p. 27.

State of Tennessee, Madison County

I, Andrew W. Harrison
of the County and State aforesaid
being of sound mind and dis-

posing memory, feeling and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, desire to make this my last Will and Testament viz:

Section First:- It is my will and desire that after I depart this life - that my body be decently buried in some suitable place, and my soul go to God who gave it.

Section Second:- It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid out of the effects I leave.

Section Third:- It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Matilda H. take charge of and rear and educate my children in the best way she

and in order to carry out the above object it is my desire that my wife Matilda H. become my sole Executrix, and take possession of all my estate for the benefit of herself and children and so soon as she shall be able to collect the debts due me and make sale of my crop of Cotton, that she aided by the advice and counsel of V. S. Vann and Avery Hunt, purchase such a home as she deems she may have well justify

Section Fourth:- It is my will and desire that the home purchased together with my negro slaves, and their natural increase be kept and used by my wife and children for their joint benefit until my children become of age, or marry, at which period I desire that each be allotted his equal share of the then existing estate, making my wife and children equal heirs, and should the share allotted to my wife be insufficient to afford her a decent support I desire that she retain enough of my effects to secure that object and at her death, the portion retained as above be equally divided among my children, leaving her her distributive share to dispose of as she pleases - nevertheless should my wife aforesaid think proper to marry again, then and in that case I desire that an equal division of my estate take place, and a suitable guardian be appointed to take charge of my children and their interest, and should my wife deem it best for the benefit of herself and children mentioned above, to sell the negroes I now have, and invest the proceeds in other negroes more suitable to carry out the objects above, then and in that event she is hereby authorized to do so, under the advice and assistance of the before mentioned friends - V. S. Vann and Avery Hunt.

In witness whereof I have this day subscribed my hand and seal this the 24th of February 1849.
Signed & sealed in the presence of - G. W. Sharps
V. S. Vann

John Gray Blount
Will

Admitted to Record Oct. Term 1845-
See Minute Book No. 5. p. 426.

I John Gray Blount of the Town of Washington and County of Beaufort being of sound disposing mind and memory desirous of disposing of my real and personal estate in such manner as to render the property of my children as nearly equal as possible and at the same time to prevent any misunderstanding among them, do make and ordain this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking all others by me made heretofore -

In the first place I wish all my just debts to be paid as soon as possible and to enable my Executors to do so they are hereby authorized and required to sell any part of my estate either real or personal that they may think proper and in any manner they may deem most to the interest of my estate -

Secondly - I give and bequeath unto my grand son William Blount Rodman his Executors and administrators Negro woman Mary and all her children.

Thirdly - I give unto my daughter Lucy Olivia Blount her Executors and administrators a negro girl named Lucinda -

Fourthly - I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Harvey Blount his heirs and assigns all the lands I purchased of Eborn and wife Samuel Young Thomas Trotter & John Bonner near the town of Washington and bounded on one side by the public road leading to Bath, known by the name of Sums Souce -

Fifthly - As it is my wish that all my children shall inherit an equal part of my estate, it is my will and desire that my estate shall be divided by my Executors into six equal parts as near as may be including that property which I have heretofore given to any or all of my children estimating such property at its value at the time I gave it them, to my sons Thomas H. Blount

John Gray Blount and William Augustus Blount and to my daughters Lucy Olivia Blount and Patsy Baker Blount I give and bequeath to each of them their heirs, executors and administrators, one sixth part and to my Executors hereinafter named their Executors and assigns the remaining one-sixth part - in trust that as soon as either William Blount Rodman, Mary Maria Rodman or Mary Olivia Rodman, (the children of my daughter Polly Ann Rodman) or the survivor or survivors of them shall arrive at age, then the one sixth part of my estate so set apart shall be equally divided among them or the survivor or survivors of them their heirs and Executors and during their said minority they shall be educated and supported from the profits arising from the said share so allotted for their use as equally as may be, and if all of said children should die before either of them comes of age then the said one sixth part shall be equally divided my surviving children, their heirs, Executors and administrators -

Sixthly - I give and bequeath unto William B. Rodman any balance he may owe me or should stand charged on my books at my death -

Lastly - I hereby constitute, make and appoint my three sons Thomas H. Blount, John G. Blount, and William A. Blount my only Executors to this my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of March in the Year of our Lord 1823

J. G. Blount

Signed sealed published and declared to be the will of John Gray Blount in the presence of us,
Thomas A. Daniel
James Ellison

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Austin Woolfolk

Will

Admitted to record at Aug² term 1847,
See Minute Book No. 5, p. 598.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Austin Woolfolk of
the Parish of Iberville in the
State of Louisiana now on a

visit to the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland
do make my last will and testament as follows.

I give devise and bequeath, after
the payments of my just debts and funeral expenses
and the legacies hereinafter mentioned, all my
property of every description in the State of
Maryland to my sons Joseph B. Woolfolk and Austin
Woolfolk and to my adopted children William Wool-
folk and John Woolfolk, their heirs executors adminis-
trators and assigns according to the nature of the
property whether real or personal, share and share
alike as tenants in common, subject to the right
of power therein of my wife Emily Woolfolk, and
to the power and authority in regard thereto of my
Executor John H. Batoro hereinafter named. My
said adopted children William Woolfolk and John
Woolfolk were baptized by these names respectively,
William on the twelfth day of February and John on
the thirteenth day of December in the year Eighteen
Hundred and thirty six by the Reverend Mr. White of
the Cathedral Church Baltimore, as will appear by reference
to the Register of the Roman Catholic Metropolitan Church of
Baltimore.]

I give devise and bequeath all my property
of every description in the State of Louisiana to my
wife Emily Woolfolk and to all my Children by my
said wife to be held by them in all respects as
they would have held the same under the laws of
Louisiana had I died intestate in regard to my
property in that State; and I hereby expressly declare
that the said Joseph B. Woolfolk and Austin Woolfolk
are my sons and as such entitled under this clause of my
will to their full proportion as such of my said property
in Louisiana, notwithstanding the devise and bequest already
herein made to them of a part of my said property in
Maryland.

It is my will that as soon after my
death as can conveniently be done without sacrifice

my Executor hereinafter named to act as such in the State
of Tennessee shall sell and dispose of all my real and personal
property in that State except my Slaves at such times and
on such terms as he may think most advantageous for the
interest of my estate, and pay over the proceeds of such
sale or sales as fast as received by him to the Executor
hereinafter named to act as such in the State of Louisiana
for the benefit of my said wife and children, as though such proceeds
had formed a part of my property in Louisiana, and I had
died intestate in regard thereto - my said sons
Joseph and Austin to have each their full and proportion
of such proceeds; and I direct my said Executor
in Tennessee as soon after my death as he can do so
conveniently, to send all my Slaves in Tennessee to
Louisiana there to be delivered to my Executors in
that State to be held by them for the benefit of my
said wife Emily Woolfolk and all my children but
the said Emily in the same way, that they would have
been held had the said Slaves been actually in
Louisiana at the time of my death - The expense of
sending said Slaves to Louisiana to be a charge on
my said property in Tennessee.

And should it so happen that I should
have other property at the time of my death than
that in the three States aforesaid, it is my will
that the same shall be divided equally between
all my children by the said Emily Woolfolk and
my said adopted children per capita.

And I hereby nominate and appoint John
H. Batoro of the City of Baltimore aforesaid the
Executor of so much of this my last will and
testament as relates to my property in the State
of Maryland giving to him full power and authority
to demise and let for term or terms of years reversion-
able forever so as to create permanent ground
rents, all my real estate held in fee simple in
the said City of Baltimore at such rents and at
such times and in such lots or portions as he may
think most advantageous, and I also give to
the said Batoro Executor aforesaid full power and authority
to sell all or any portion of leasehold property belong-
ing to me in the said City or to sublet the same at his dis-
cretion, giving him power also to sell all property belonging to

me not within the limits of the City of Baltimore held by me in fee, or to rent the same from year to year or for term of years at his discretion; and to rent and receive the rents of all my houses.

And I hereby authorize the said John H. B. Latrobe Executor as aforesaid to make and deliver all proper conveyances or instruments of writing, executing and acknowledging the same according to law, that may be required in the execution of the authority to demise and sell and rent hereby given to him, and generally to execute all other instruments of writing required in carrying out the provisions of this my last will and Testament.

And I hereby authorize and direct my said Executor John H. B. Latrobe to collect all rents and increase of my property in Maryland, and the same together with the proceeds of any sale or sales that he may make to invest in ground-rents or upon mortgages of unincumbered fee-simple property, as he may see proper, after he shall have paid therefrom the sum or sums required for the education and maintenance of my sons Joseph B. Hoolefolk Austin Hoolefolk and my adopted children William and John Hoolefolk.

And it is my will and desire that as my said sons and adopted children arrive respectively at the age of twenty one years, they shall receive their portions of my said property in Maryland and the increase thereof from my said Executor, whose duties as Executor will in this manner cease when the youngest of them shall arrive at the age of twenty one years. And I hereby appoint the said John H. B. Latrobe, the testamentary Guardian of the persons and Estates of my said sons and adopted children.

And I hereby bequeath to the said John H. B. Latrobe his Executors administrators and assigns the sum of two thousand dollars out of my Estate in Maryland or out of the rents issues and profits thereof, when so much shall accrue in trust for the sole and separate use of Mrs. Elizabeth Patrick, without the let or control of any husband and subject to her own control and disposal.

And I bequeath to Eliza Patrick the daughter of the said Mrs. Elizabeth Patrick, should she be living at the time of my death, the sum of One thousand dollars; but if she should not be living at that time, I give and bequeath the said sum to the said John H. B. Latrobe his Executors administrators and assigns for the sole and separate use of the said Mrs. Elizabeth Patrick as aforesaid - the same to be paid out of my estate or out of the rents and profits thereof when so much shall accrue.

And whereas it is my wish that the education of my children said sons and adopted children should be controlled and directed by the said John H. B. Latrobe their Guardian, and that until they arrive at the age of twenty one years his control of them should not in any way be troubled or interfered with, and whereas it may so happen that the said Mrs. Elizabeth Patrick may interfere as regards my adopted children William and John, I hereby direct my said Executor the said John H. B. Latrobe to pay to her in the event of her not interfering (of which my said Executor is to be the judge) in the education or control of my said adopted children as herein provided - the sum of One thousand dollars as they severally arrive at the age of twenty one years as a token of my grateful sense of her observance of my wishes in this respect.

And I hereby nominate constitute and appoint Samuel Lancaster of Jackson, Madison County Tennessee, the Executor of so much of this my last will and Testament, as relates to any property of which I may die possessed, or to which I may be in any way entitled in the State of Tennessee; and I hereby give to my said Executor for Tennessee full power and authority to make execute acknowledge and deliver all conveyances or instruments of writing that may be required in the carrying out of the provisions of this my last will and Testament.

And I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my wife Emily Hoolefolk, my Nephew John Hoolefolk of Columbus Georgia, Enoch Knowlton and Charles Black the Executors and Executrix of this my last will and Testament.

so far as it relates to my property in the State of Louisiana, or which may be transferred to that State under the provisions of this my last will and testament giving to them power to carry on my sugar plantation and for that purpose to raise money by the sale or mortgage of other property in Louisiana belonging to me and to use such monies as may be paid to them by my Executor for Tennessee with power to my said Executrix and Executors in Louisiana to make execute acknowledge and deliver all conveyances or instruments of writing necessary to carry out the provisions of this my last will and testament. But while I give to my said Executors and Executrix full authority to carry on said plantation for the benefit of my said wife and children by her, I do not require them to do so although it is my opinion that in no way can they better promote the interests of my devisees and Legates in Louisiana than by relieving my said sugar plantation from debt and putting it in condition to be worked to the best advantage in the production of sugar.

I hereby give to my Executors herein named for Maryland, Tennessee and Louisiana respectively the power and authority to compromise and agree with my wife Emily Woolfolk for her right of dower in my real estate or any part or parts of thereof paying to her such sum or sums of money as may be agreed upon between them as Extinguishment thereof upon receiving proper release. And if need be, my said Executors are respectively authorized to sell so much of my real estate as may be necessary to enable them respectively to settle with my said wife for her dower interest.

And finally I revoke all former wills by me made declaring this to be my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hands and seal this twenty third day of November in the year Eighteen hundred and forty six - Done in triplicate at the City of Baltimore aforesaid

Austin Woolfolk

signed sealed published and declared by the above named testator Austin Woolfolk as and for his last will and testament in presence of us, who at his request and in his presence and in presence of each other have hereto set our hands as Witnesses thereto, the word "better" being first interlined on the fifteenth line of the eighth page.

J. Cockey
John Wright
A. Walter Keyser

Margaret O. Taylor

Will

Proved at May Term, 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 40.

I Margaret O. Taylor, of Madison County Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make this my last will and testament

viz: I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy K. Weaver, my negro girl named Emily. My other negroes Elbe, Sam, Mely, Betsey & Child, Green, Isabella & Jo, I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy K. Weaver, and my son, Lawson Dudley, to be equally divided between them.

I give and bequeath the whole of my land to my daughter Nancy K. Weaver, & son Lawson Dudley, and will one of them to have the tract on which I now reside and the other the tract recently purchased by me on which my father, David Brandon resided, the land to be valued by disinterested men and divided between them, either by the one having the most valuable tract paying to the other in money till the shares be equal, or by the one having the least valuable tract taking part of the other tract till they both have shares equal in value.

I wish the land which I bought to be paid for out of the debts due me and should there not be sufficient for that purpose I wish the negroes to be kept together and the produce of their labor applied to that purpose till the land shall have been paid for.

This 9th day of November, 1848.
Test. J. Rogers
Simpson Weaver.

Margaret O. Taylor

James Alston
Will

Proven at March Term 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 28.

The will of James Alston, coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid - diligent search for it has been made in my office and it cannot be found.

John Jones
Will

Proven at Aug. Term 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 64.

The will of John Jones dead, coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid - diligent search for it has been made in my office and it cannot be found.

John B. Robinson
Will

Proven at Sept. Term 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 67.

In the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

I John B. Robinson being somewhat advanced in

life and in feeble health, but of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last Will and testament in manner and form as follows.

1st I resign my body to the Lord and my soul to God who gave it.

2^d I desire all my just debts first to be paid and my funeral expenses to be paid.

3^d I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Robinson all my property real and personal for her use and benefit during her life time, then to be disposed of in the following manner.

4th I give to my daughter Eliza Ann Robinson one half of my land including the dwelling house and other buildings. I also give her the negro woman Flora and her child Moses with all her increase in future; two milch cows and four head of sheep and gray horse colt.

5th I give to my son David B. Robinson the other half of my land and the negro boy.

6th I give to my daughter Susan T. Kirkpatrick the negro girl Ann and I also give her the negro

woman Becca provided she should live longer than my wife Mary Robinson otherwise the last ^{mentioned} negro is to be equally divided among my heirs.

7th I give to my son William Robinson the negro boy Anderson my waggon and one yoke work oxen.

8th I give to my daughter Rebecca Jane Montgomery the negro girl Eliza and the boy Alfred.

9th It is my will and pleasure that the negro man Mitchel be sold and his value be disposed of by my Executor for the use and benefit of the Cumberland Presbyterian board of Missions.

10th I give to my son David B. Robinson two milch cows and four head sheep.

The property which I have given to my daughters, as named above I design for their use and benefit during their life time; then to descend to the heirs of their bodies.

Lastly, I appoint Reuben Burrows my Executor.

Sign sealed published and delivered by the above named John B. Robinson to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names, in the presence of the testator, this March 23, 1849.

Test. John B. Robinson. (Sgd)
Groom Kortow }
John H. McKissack. }

Selden Betts

Will
Proven at Sept. Term 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 70.

The will of Selden Betts deceased, coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid - diligent search for it has been made in my office and it cannot be found.

Jackson Fisher

Will

Prove at Sept Term, 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 70.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Jackson Fisher of the County of Madison and State of Tennessee, being of perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this the 1st of February in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and forty nine, make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following.

I wish my land crop stock and farming utensils house-hold and kitchen furniture to be sold with the exception of my riding horse ball which I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucinda Peter at Sixty dollars to be taken out of her part of my legacy, and I give and bequeath to my two sisters Malinda and Lucinda twenty five dollars each to be paid out of the moneys arising from the sale of my effects.

I give and bequeath to my sister Malinda Killington all the corn fodder and bacon that I have housed.

I also leave one hundred and forty four dollars and thirty two cents which I wish to be equally divided between my brother John W. Fisher and my two sisters Malinda and Lucinda when collected by my administrator. I also wish after Malinda and Lucinda is paid there twenty-five dollars each as above named out of the moneys arising from the sale of my good and chattles for the balance of the said moneys to be divided equally among my Sisters Malinda and Lucinda and brother John W. Fisher.

And I hereby make and ordain my worthy brother John W. Fisher Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I Jackson Fisher have to this my last will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above named. Signed, sealed published and declared by the said Jackson Fisher the Testator as his last will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof.

Test

R. T. Attkisson
John W. Carrier

Jackson Fisher
marks

Richard Langston

Will

Prove at Octo. Term, 1849.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 79.

I Richard Langston of the County of Madison State of Tennessee do hereby make and publish this to be my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me made at any time.

First. I will and desire that all my debts be paid by my Executor as soon after my death as practicable out of my property.

Second. I will and bequeath to my son in law Spermus Fiddleton & my son Major Fiddleton my son the following described tracts of land situated lying and being in the County of Madison State of Tennessee to compensate him for his care trouble and expense in taking care and supporting myself and wife in our advanced age, to-wit: One tract of land containing 7 acres bounded as follows.

Beginning at two post oaks the South East corner of Entry No 204 for 248 7/8 acres in the name of George Pitzer running West with its line 48 poles to a stake thence South 24 1/2 poles to a stake thence East 48 poles to a stake thence North 24 1/2 poles to the Beginning.

Also our other tract bounded as follows: Beginning at a Post oak the North West corner of Entry No 1073 for 100 acres in the name of the heirs of John Saperton and in the East boundary line of Entry No 327 for 2074 acres running North with the line of Entry 327 Seventy three poles to a hickory in the South line of Entry No 204 in the name of George Pitzer thence East 12 poles to a stake the North West corner of Entry No 12 in the name of James S. Lyon thence South 24 1/2 poles to its South West corner thence East 48 poles to its South East corner thence South 48 poles to a stake on the line of said Entry No 1073 thence West 60 poles to the Beginning containing 20 acres.

Also that part of the tract of land that I purchased of Mathias Deberry that lies West of the Trenton Road from Jackson to Trenton, supposed to contain 90 acres in all 117 acres.

I do not will any property or lands to any of my other children from the fact that I have given them off property heretofore as much as I feel willing to give them out of my little property and means

I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friend Stephen B. Barnett Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and desire him to execute the same.

In witness whereof, I do to this my will, set my hand and seal the 26 day of August A.D. 1848.

Richard ^{his} Langston

Signed, sealed & published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator the day of August 1848.

J. D. M. Clelland
Wm. A. Murchison

We the undersigned have agreed to take the above bequest and in consideration of which we bind and obligate ourselves to pay to Richard Langston annually the sum of thirty dollars during his natural life.

In witness our hands and seals this 18th day of Sept. 1848.

Witness
J. D. M. Clelland
Wm. A. Murchison

Major ^{his} Langston
Spencer ^{his} Fiddleton

W. W. Warmoth
Will

Proven at Nov Term 1849
See Minute Book No. 6 p 82

State of Tennessee, Madison County.
To all whom these presents shall come.

In presence of

Almighty God, Amen.

I, W. W. Warmoth being weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make, constitute and appoint this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, to wit:

1st It is my will that all of my just debts be paid out of my estate. I hereby cloth my executor with full power and authority, to dispose of a sufficiency of my perishable property to satisfy all the claims against me if it can be done without distressing my wife and children. If there should not be a sufficiency of perishable property to satisfy my debts I wish my executor to sell a portion of my land lying in Gibson County and the balance over paying my debts I give to my wife Elizabeth Warmoth to raise and educate my children.

2^d I give my wife Elizabeth Warmoth one hundred acres of land known as a part of the Dixon tract on which I now live together with all my household and kitchen furniture also my in. tire. stocks of horses cattle hogs and sheep and all my farming tools and waggon, to hold in fee simple during her natural life.

3^d It is my will and desire at the death of my wife that my estate be equally divided my children sharing share and share alike, contributing sixty five dollars to Micajah Warmoth as already received by him.

4th Lastly I appoint my friend Micajah Fly my executor to this my last Will and Testament without giving bond or security with full power to execute this my will.

Given under my hand and seal this 20th September 1849.

W. W. Warmoth

attest,

In presence of
H. H. Vandell,
M. H. Warmoth

Codicil
October 2^d 1849.

W. W. Warmoth being still weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make this a codicil to my last Will and Testament, in addition to what I have given to my wife Elizabeth Warmoth, I give to her all the land I have.

in Madison County, to have and to hold in the same way as the other hundred acres named in my will.

H. H. Harnoth

ESQ.

In presence of
Micajah Flynn
Thos. L. Harnoth.

Gabriel Anderson

Will

Proven at February Term, 1850.
See Minute Book No. 6, pp. 106.

In the name of God, Amen
I, Gabriel Anderson
of the County of Madison
and State of Tennessee, being
of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain
this my last Will and Testament in manner and
form following, to-wit: hereby revoking all
other wills by me at any time made.

Item 1st. It is my will and desire that
my funeral expenses and all my just debts be
paid as soon as practicable after my decease.

Item 2^d. I give and bequeath to my son
John Jarred Anderson and his heirs forever all
the land on which I now reside lying on
the North side of the Stage road including all
the buildings thereon. The foregoing donation
is exclusive of the Legacy hereafter to be
given him in this will.

Item 3^d. I give and bequeath unto my
beloved wife Jane all the property and effects of
which she was seized and possessed at the
time our marriage.

Item 4th. I give and bequeath unto my
son James C. Anderson One Horse to be valued
at Fifty Dollars which is all I intend giving him
as he has plenty and is well provided for.

Item 5th. I give and bequeath unto Rebecca
Norvell her hus. One Horse to be valued at
Fifty Dollars.

Item 6th - It is my will and desire that
my servant Jesse be set free at my death if the
laws of the land will permit it; if not I desire
that he shall be placed under the protection of my

son John Jarred, to be permitted to enjoy his
freedom as far as it is lawful for him to do.

Item 7th. It is my will and desire that my
Executors hereinafter named shall proceed to sell
all my stock of every kind, together with my
farming utensils and Household and Kitchen fu-
niture and proceed to collect all my notes and
accounts and the proceeds of such sale and col-
lections It is my will and desire shall be divid-
equally as follows.

To Samuel L. Anderson and his heirs one sh.
To Matilda Collins and her heirs one equal sh.
To Esther Renshaw and her heirs one equal sh.
To Mary A. Bradin and her heirs one equal share
To Sarah S. M. Elwell and her heirs one equal sh.
To Lucretia A. Cooper and her heirs one equal sh.
To Lucinda Williamson and her heirs one equal sh.
To Miriam L. Blackman and her heirs one equal sh.
To John Jarred Anderson and his heirs one equal sh.
To Joseph A. Collins & William S. Collins, Children of
Elizabeth S. Collins dead one equal share
and to my beloved wife Jane Anderson, one equal sh.
share and share alike.

Item 8th. It is my will and desire that
my negroes slaves consisting at present
Cyprus and his wife Lucy and their children Syl-
sam and George - Ann and her child Hiram - Eliza
Rose - Frances - Emily & Sam. Clark and their increas-
after my death be valued by three disinterested
Commissioners to be chosen by whoever may. The
be Sheriff of Madison County, and to be equally
divided among the legates named in the 7th Item
of this my will and in case any of the legates
named in said Item 7th are absent at the time
of the division the said Commissioners shall rep-
sent such absences and draft for them and such
lots or lot when so drawn shall be placed
charge of some one until called for by the
said absent legates.

Item 9th. It is my will and desire that
land lying on the South side of the Stage road
adjoining the tract given by my son John
Jarred be sold by my Executors on a credit of

in Madison County, to have and to hold in the same way as the other hundred acres named in my will.

In presence of }
Micajah Flynn }
Thos. A. Warrmoth }
H. A. Warrmoth

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Gabriel Anderson

Will

Given at February Term, 1850.
See Minute Book No. 6, pp. 106.

In the name of God, Amen.
I, Gabriel Anderson
of the County of Madison
and State of Tennessee, being

of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, to-wit: hereby revoking all other wills by me at any time made.

Item 1st. It is my will and desire, that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon as practicable after my decease.

Item 2^d. I give and bequeath to my son John Jarred Anderson and his heirs forever all the land on which I now reside lying on the North side of the Stage road including all the buildings thereon - the foregoing donation is exclusive of the Legacy hereafter to be given him in this will.

Item 3^d. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Jane all the property and effects of which she was seized and possessed at the time our marriage.

Item 4th. I give and bequeath unto my son James C. Anderson One Horse to be valued at Fifty Dollars which is all I intend giving him as he has plenty and is well provided for.

Item 5th. I give and bequeath unto Rebecca Norvell her heirs One Horse to be valued at Fifty Dollars.

Item 6th - It is my will and desire that my servant Jesse be set free at my death if the laws of the land will permit it; if not I desire that he shall be placed under the protection of my

son John Jarred, to be permitted to enjoy his freedom as far as it is lawful for him to do.

Item 7th. It is my will and desire that my Executors hereinafter named shall proceed to sell all my stock of every kind, together with my farming utensils and House hold and Kitchen furniture, and proceed to collect all my notes and accounts and the proceeds of such sale and collections It is my will and desire shall be divided equally as follows:

To Samuel L. Anderson his heirs one share
To Matilda Collins and her heirs one equal share
To Esther Kenschaw and her heirs one equal share
To Mary G. Braden and her heirs one equal share
To Sarah S. M. Elwell and her heirs one equal share
To Lucretia A. Cooper her heirs one equal share
To Lucilla Williamson and her heirs one equal share
To Miriam L. Blackman and her heirs one equal share
To John Jarred Anderson and his heirs one equal share
To Joseph A. Collins William S. Collins, Children of Elizabeth S. Collins dead one equal share
and to my beloved wife Jane Anderson, one equal share, share and share alike.

Item 8th. It is my will and desire that my negroes slaves consisting at present of Cyrus and his wife Anny and their children Cy-lus, Sam and George - Ann and her child Hiram - Elizabeth - Rose - Frances - Emily - and Sam - Clark and their increase after my death be valued by three disinterested Commissioners to be chosen by whoever may then be Sheriff of Madison County, and to be equally divided among the legates named in the 7th Item of this my will, and in case any of the legates named in said Will Item 7th are absent at the time of the division the said Commissioners shall represent such absentees and draft for them and such Lots or lot when so drawn shall be placed in charge of some one until called for by the said absent legates.

Item 9th. It is my will and desire that my land lying on the South side of the Stage road adjoining the tract given to my son John Jarred be sold by my Executors on a credit of

one and two years, they taking bond with good security to be equally divided among the Legates named in Item 7th of this my will share and share alike.

Item 10th It is my will and desire that if a good title can be made to the Stafford Tract of Land purchased by my son John Jarred and myself my Executors shall pay four hundred dollars on the first payment my son John J. agreeing to pay one hundred dollars and is only to own so much as he shall pay for - said payments for said land is to be made out of my estate before a division shall take place, and it is my will and desire that if said land shall be so purchased that it shall be disposed of by my Executors as may be for the best interests of my estate and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided among the Legates named in Item 7th of this my last Will and share and share alike.

Item 11th It is my sincere desire and prayer that my estate may be settled without any dispute or hard feeling among my legates as I have endeavored to do justice to all and it is my desire that if any misunderstanding should arise that three disinterested persons shall be chosen to explain the matter and that their decision be final.

I do hereby nominate and appoint my son John Jarred Anderson and my old friend Joshua Ewell as Executors to this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 16th day of January, A. D. 1850.

Gabriel Anderson

The foregoing will was signed sealed & published in our presence and we have subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator the day & year above written.

Test. Thos. W. Jamewell
James Fussell,

James M^cWilliams

Will

Proven at March Term, 1850
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 132.

State of Tennessee,
Madison County, } Know all
men by these presents, That

I, James M^cWilliams of the above County of Madison and State of Tennessee, feeble in body but in my right mind and in presence of Witnesses, declare this to be my last Will and Testament.

I bequeath to John M^cWilliams my brother a certain tract of Land of 350 acres more or less lying in Madison County, State of Tennessee, adjoining the land of J. G. Randolph, Scham Hearn & others which land at the death of said John M^cWilliams to be equally divided between Elizabeth R. M^cWilliams, Eshe L. M^cWilliams, Deborah M^cWilliams, Francis O. M^cWilliams, Mary E. M^cWilliams, David W. M^cWilliams and John L. M^cWilliams and to their heirs and assigns forever.

I give to Samuel Weir a certain tract of Land lying in Hardeman County, State of Tennessee of 287 acres more or less, adjoining the lands of Nephis Norton, John Scraggins and others and at the death of said Samuel Weir to be equally divided between his children.

I give to David S. Weir a certain road Wagon and gear, three hundred and fifty dollars in money, three certain Horses - I give my stock of Hogs equal portions to John M^cWilliams, Saml Weir and David S. Weir and Jane Roark I give to Jane Roark a certain Red cow & calf a certain cow and yearling to David Weir also a small steer.

I give to John M^cWilliams a certain Heifer I give to John M^cWilliams and David Weir each four head of Sheep. I give David Weir and John M^cWilliams a lot of Pork Hogs equally between them - I give to David Weir thirty Barrels of Corn and the balance to be equally divided between John M^cWilliams and Jane Roark also my Fodder and oats I give equally to David Weir and John M^cWilliams with the exceptions of half a stack of Fodder.

The property or amount in the above Will bequeathed to David Weir at his death is to go

to his heirs at law - I give to John McWilliams
my saddle horse also my saddle - hereby in
the presence of Witnesses constitute and appoint
John H. Dickinson my Executor of the above will,
which is my last will and testament.

This day the 12th of Dec. 1850

James McWilliams *Ed*

Signed in the presence of

Wm H. Price

Jos. H. Robinson

Schedule of the written will

After paying all my debts, I give to W. H. Price one large cup board one cow & calf a lot of geese, one sow and three shoats half a stack of fodder the pork of one large hog

I deliver to J. H. Dickinson my executor my papers, notes & etc. and when collected he will pay ~~said~~ David S. Weir the three hundred and fifty dollars named in the will he will pay said David Weir also four hundred dollars which amt. together with the balance will to said David S. Weir is to go to his children for their special benefit.

I wish out of the proceeds of my paper when collected eighty dollars to be given to Sarah Ann Weir also eighty dollars to be given to Margaret Elvira Weir also I will to Elizabeth R. McWilliams eighty dollars out of said proceeds when collected. The balance to be paid equal amount to John McWilliams his heirs and assigns Samuel Weir his heirs or assigns David S. Weir his heirs or assigns.

Jan. 12th 1850

James McWilliams *Ed*

Signed in
presence of
Wm H. Price
Jos. H. Robinson

Robert Marshall
Will

Provs at Augst. Term 1850
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 173.

I Robert Marshall 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 direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, out of any moneys that I may die possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Executor -

Secondly. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Selley two hundred acres of my land to be bounded by a line running East and West through the tract including the South side of the same and the mansion house, also four slaves namely negro boy pleasant, and as he is at this time very sick and may not recover and in the event he dies of the present sickness. I give her negro boy John, negro girl Mary, negro boy Alfred and negro girl Matilda the two last named negroes to be hers until my daughter Aseneth Manning becomes of age or marries at which time they are to be hers with all my house hold and kitchen furniture to be equally divided between my wife and said daughter. I give my wife three head of horses and all my stock of cattle and hogs Wagon and farming utensils and such of my books as she may choose to select.

Thirdly. I give to the heirs of my son John C. Marshall four hundred dollars either in money or property, in addition to what I have already given to their father.

Fourthly. I give to my daughter Ann Lousden negro boy John and in the event he falls to my wife then she is to have negro boy Richa, in addition to what I have heretofore given her.

Fifthly. I give to the heirs of my son Alexander four hundred dollars either in money or property, in addition to what I have heretofore given to their father.

Sixthly. I give to my son Robert two

negroes namely negro boy Henry and negro girl Alley. Seventhly: I give to my daughter Milda Roach negro woman Hester and her children in addition to what I have heretofore given her.

Eighthly: I give to my two daughters Mary Landon and Isabella Hooker jointly, negro man Tom in addition to what I have heretofore given them.

Ninthly: I give to my step daughter Sarah Moore and the heirs of her body negro girl Nancy.

Tenthly: It is my will that all the property given to my wife shall be hers during her life or widowhood, and at her death or marriage all the property given her shall fall to my daughter Kenneth Matheron; my present crop should I die before it is gathered I give to my wife, the balance of my land say 100 acres I wish to be sold by my executor; and that two hundred dollars of the proceeds be given to my wife to be used at her discretion on the education and clothing my little daughter Kenneth the balance of the proceeds to be applied to the payment of my debts and other necessary expenses, it is my wish, as there is nothing left to my daughter Kenneth that would require a guardianship, except her part of the household furniture, that it remain undivided in the hands of my wife without guardianship until she attains of age or marries.

Lastly: I do hereby nominate and appoint Isaac Roach and my son Robert T. Marshall my Executors.

In witness whereof I do, to this my will set my hand and seal this first day of August 1850.

Signed sealed and published } Robert Marshall
in our presence and we have sub-
scribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator
this 1st day of August 1850.
Test. John T. Bryan }

Codicil

I Robert Marshall having heretofore made and published my last will and testament do make and declare this as a Codicil hereto, (to-wit) I desire that the hands and implements of every kind remain on the farm until my crop is gathered and my cotton ginned and disposed of.

Lastly: It is my desire that this codicil be attached to and constitute a part of my last intent and purposes this first day of August 1850.

In witness whereof I do to this codicil to my will set my hand and seal this 1st day of August 1850.

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator, this 1st day of August 1850.

Test. John T. Bryan }
John Byrum }

Catherine Ross.

Will

Proven at Sept. Term 1850.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 177.

The last will and Testament of Catherine Ross of the County of Madison State of Tennessee -

I Catherine Ross considering the uncertainty of this life - and being of sound mind a memory. (Blessed be God for the same) do make and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following (that is to say)

First: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Green my negro girl Aggy and her youngest child Hanky and also forty acres of land it being a part of the tract whereon I now live -

Beginning at the South West corner, running North with Wyatt Moorings line until it comes opposite the North part of the field now known

as the David Green field, thence running East with the fence of said field - as far until it includes 40 acres - thence South to the South boundary, live near the Stage road thence West to the Beginning, for compliments including the field and dwelling house where said Harvey Green now lives -

2^d I give unto my son Peter E. Rob. my negro girl Rithey, and her child Matilda

3^d I give unto my son James C. Rob. two negroes known by the name of John and Susan.

4th I give unto my Grand son John Andrew Rob a negro girl named Mary and a cow and calf.

5th I give unto my Grand son James Story Ross one cow and calf -

6th I give unto my Grand son Henry Emerson Ross one cow and calf.

7th I give unto my two sons Peter E. and James C. Rob the balance of my land, equally to be divided between them both -

8th I desire that all of stock of all kind Household and Kitchen furniture of all kind, whatsoever be sold, and that all of my just debts - Funeral expenses be paid out of the sales of the same, the balance be equally divided between my three children Nancy Green, Peter E. and James C. Rob. -

Lastly I appoint Hyatt Mooring, Executor to this my last Will and Testament, - this 8th day July 1838.

Catherine Rob. 

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of
Hyatt Mooring
Aaron Clumert.

Jesse Gray, witness as to
hand writing of Catherine Rob.
J. H. Day, Chum

Mary Reid
Will

Proven at Nov. Term, 1850
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 207

Know all men by these Presents, That I, Mary Reid of the County of Madison, and State of Tennessee, being old

and feeble tho of a disposing mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows to-wit:

First I give to my son James Reid one negro woman by the name of Rose one bed and furniture, and one half of the stock that may not hereafter be disposed of with half the kitchen furniture.

2^d - I give to my son Ambrose Reid one negro man by the name of Washington one bed and furniture and one half the stock that may not be hereafter disposed of and one half the kitchen furniture.

3^d I give to my son David Reid a negro man by the name of Prilly.

4th I give to my daughter Mary A. Clark my Carriage and harness and a negro woman by the name of Jimmy.

5th I give to my grand daughter Eliza Ann Reid one negro girl by the name of Fanny (Rose child)

6th I give to my grand daughter Isabella Murchison one bed and furniture.

7th I give the remainder if any, to my daughter Isabella Murchison in consideration of the price of Jimmy given to Mary Clark and if it is not accepted of by Mr Murchison in lieu of Jimmy, I give the remainder to Mary A. Clark.

And to carry this my last Will into effect I constitute and appoint my son Ambrose and my son in-law William Murchison as Executors of this my will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 17th April 1845.

Mary Reid 

Signed and seal in the presence of
The Absent for Eliza Murchison to El. Reid
was all bet said

Philip Blotow
Ann Blotow

W.B. 8th In addition

to what I have given to my son James Reid. I also give him my Mule cordunously called Jim.
9th And I further give to my son David Reid 2 mules called Jip & Jiller.

In witness whereof I here set my hand and seal this 20th May 1845-

Mary Reid 
Philip Alston

James Johnson
Will

Prove at Nov. Term, 1850.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 209.

In the name of God, Amen.

I James Johnson, being of sound mind and disposing memory, but being of feeble health and knowing that we all have to die - doth make and publish this my last Will and Testament - to wit:

First: my desire is at my death that my body be decently interred to my Mother earth, my soul return to God who gave it.

2^d. That all my just debts be paid by my Executor so soon as convenient.

3^d. I desire that my wife, keep together and have the use of all my property, to raise and educate my children - with the following exceptions, that is to say -

4th. I desire that as my younger children arrive to lawful age or at marriage that they have three hundred dollars in property or money, as my wife may think best, making them about equal with my older children that have left me.

5th. I wish my Executor to sell my negro man Bob, and such other property, as he, or my wife may think can best be spared.

6th. I give unto my son James Johnson's children a horse worth 40 or fifty dollars - to make him near equal to my other older children, to receive said horse 25th Decr 1851.

7th. It is my will and desire that my Executor have the exclusive privilege of selling my boy Gabriel should he prove turbulent or bad to manage, but should he prove to be a good

obedient boy he may be kept in the family, just as my wife thinks best. - If sold the money laid out in the purchase of another boy -

8th. I give my wife Morning - and my Executor whom I will hereafter name, the exclusive privilege of selling my tract of land whereon I now live (if my wife may think best so to do) and lay out the money for the same in the purchase of other land, where my wife may think best. If sold to be sold to the highest bidder after giving lawful notice.

9th. At the death of my wife I give and bequeath unto all my children except son James share and share alike - and unto my two step children Mary E. K. Matthews, Harriet A. Johnson, I share with my own children fifty dollars less share, but having each fifty dollars more than my own children = and in place of giving to my son James, I give unto his wife and children an equal share with the rest of my children, all of my property of all and every kind whatever - to be equally divided as above specified, that my step children to have within fifty dollars equal share with my own children.

10th Lastly - I nominate, and appoint my Brother-in-law James Johnson and my Brother Stephen Johnson, my Executors to this my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand & seal, this 28th September 1850.

Attest - James Johnson 

Myatt Mooring
& Day.

A Codicil to my Will.

In case my wife should marry again, then and in that case my wish and desire is that all my property be divided as specified in my will, my wife having one equal share with my children, in division with all my property.

Test.
Myatt Mooring
& Day.

James Johnson

M. B. Stewart
Will

Provs at Dec. Term 1850.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 235.

Desoto County, Miss., July 14, 1847.
Dear Brother B. B. Stewart and
sister Francis,

On my death bed I am
desirous that you should have the benefit of my
interest in the land belonging to the heirs, I
thank you both equally entitled to the same for
the many services you have rendered me.
Accept the love of your dying brother,
M. B. Stewart.

James Randolph
Will

Provs at Jan'y Term 1851.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 240.

I James Randolph of the
County of Madison State of
Tennessee, do make and publish
this to be my last Will and

Testament hereby revoking and making void all
former wills but made at any time heretofore.

First: I direct that my funeral expenses
and all my debts be paid as soon after my
death as possible out of any monies I may die
possessed of or may first come into the hands
of my Executor.

Secondly: I give and bequeath to my sister
Mary Randolph all my lands and tenements and
hereditaments all my negroes and future in-
crease, (except my boy Peter who will be
herein after provided for) all my monies in
hand or in any wise due to me by note or
account all my stock of every kind and
description, all my crops whether housed or
growing all my household and kitchen furniture
of every kind and description all my farming and
plantation tools my pleasure carriage and harness
my waggon and harness hereby conveying
all of my property of every kind and description
both legal and equitable to her, her heirs and
assigns forever to dispose of as she pleases.

Thirdly: For and in consideration of mer-

itorious services rendered me, I hereby liberate
my servant boy Peter from servitude to any
body and bequeath said boy five hundred dollars
of any money I may die possessed of to be
placed in the hands of my brother-in-law Albert
S. McClellan for said boy's benefit and support
and said McClellan is hereby created trustee for
Peter's protection and benefit the money to be
paid out to him as said McClellan may think
he needs it.

Fourthly: For divers and various causes
and considerations to me fully appreciated, I
hereby distinctly say and will that my brother
in law Alexander Gyle shall have no part of
my property and I desire that my sister give
him no part thereof after my death.

Lastly: I do hereby nominate and appoint
my Brother-in-law Albert S. McClellan my Executor
and trustee for said Peter.

In witness whereof I do to this my
last Will and set my hand and seal this 3rd
day of September 1850.

James Randolph

Witness

E. H. Matthews }
M. Midyett }
J. S. McClellan }

David Hathaway
Will

Provs at May Term 1851.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 324.

I, David Hathaway of the
County of Madison and State
of Tennessee, do make this my
last Will and Testament as

follows, to-wit:

I direct that all my just debts
be paid out of the first monies that may come
into the hands of my Executor.

I give and bequeath all my lands, stock
household and kitchen furniture, with all my
money and notes and every species of property of
which I am now possessed to my brother-in-law

Kathaway in trust only and for the purpose of securing the value and proceeds of the same to the benefit and use of my wife Chaney during her natural life or widowhood, and for the use and benefit of my children until the youngest shall attain the age of twenty one years, at which time my whole estate remaining in the hands of my said trustee shall be equally divided between my said wife and my children who may be living at that time.

Should my wife marry before my youngest child comes of age then the said trustee shall divide and give off to her such part of my estate as shall be equal to a child's part at that time - and shall continue to hold the remainder for the benefit of the children as before the marriage of my widow.

I hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint Linchen Kathaway Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof the said David Kathaway hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this 30 day of April 1851.

Witness
 D. D. Will
 J. Whitaker
 Allen Dungan
 Mrs. Pearce
 David Kathaway Seal

William Kepley
 Will
 Proved at June Term, 1851.
 See Minute Book No. 6, p. 324.

In the name of God, Amen.
 I, William Kepley, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made.

1st. I direct that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any monies I may die seized or possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Executor.

2d. I direct that my Executor do order

to pay debts sell a sufficient portion of the property of which my estate may consist, whether personal or real, and that he sell the same Land, Slaves or other property, either publicly or privately as he may think best.

3d. After the payment of my just debts I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret Kepley during her natural life or widowhood, all of my Estate, personal and real - Land, Slaves, Household and kitchen furniture, of every description, Stock &c. to her, to be disposed of by her for the support of herself and my children; but in case she should marry, I hereby direct that my Executor take into hand and dispose of that portion of property to which my children may be lawfully entitled for the benefit of said children.

4th. I hereby nominate and appoint S. P. McDonald Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

This 24th day of May 1851.

Signed sealed &c.
 in presence of
 E. Hamilton
 G. M. Croxy.

William Kepley Seal

Green C. Howlett
 Will

Proved at June Term, 1851.
 See Minute Book No. 6, p. 330.

I, Green C. Howlett of the County of Madison State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me, at any time theretofore made.

First. I will and desire that my funeral expenses and all just debts be paid by my Executor as soon after my death as practicable out of any monies that may first come into his hands.

2d. I will and desire that all my property both real and personal be kept together

by my Executor (except that which may be thought advisable by him to be sold for the payment of debts or may not be necessary to carry on the farm) and used by him at his discretion for the support of my sister-in-law Jackey Karp and the support and education my children Joseph F. & Ellen & Bowlett during his term of Executorship and my said Executor is hereby fully authorized and empowered during said term of Executorship to sell or dispose of my real and personal property at his discretion and repurchase property with the proceeds of said sales executing and taking the title in the name of my said children.

3^d I hereby will and bequeath unto my said sister-in-law Jackey Karp, the sum of five hundred dollars in cash, which is to be paid her by my said Executor at her marriage or when my children may leave her.

4th After my Executor has settled up my estate as such Executor I hereby appoint my friend John M. Barnett Trustee for the use and benefit of my said sister-in-law Jackey Karp and my said children Joseph F. and Ellen & Bowlett, to have and hold my property as trustee and manage it at his own discretion for their support maintenance and the education of my children, and said trustee is hereby fully authorized and empowered to sell any portion or all of my real or personal property at his discretion executing title to the purchaser and invest the proceeds of the sale in other property taking the title in the name of my said children for the use and benefit of my said sister-in-law and children, and if the sum willed to my sister-in-law be not paid during the term of Executorship, I here direct that my said trustee pay over to her the said sum specified in the 3^d clause of this my will, upon the happening of either event mentioned in said clause.

5th I hereby will and desire that my

said trustee pay over to my children as they respectively arrive at the age of twenty-one or marriage.

6th I have nominate, constitute and appoint my friend John M. Barnett my Executor of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the first day of February A.D. One thousand Eight hundred and fifty-one.

J. B. Bowlett

(Seal)

Signed, sealed and published in our presence
Test. J. B. Morrow
Joseph Fogg
R. M. Mason

Lewis Bond

Will

Prove at July Term, 1851.
See Minute Book No 6, p. 335 & 342.

In the name of God, Amen,
I, Lewis Bond of Madison County and State of Tennessee do constitute this to be my last will and Testament, revoking all other wills which I have made. I give to my son Dawson Bond the 35 or acres of land I bought of James Walker formerly the property of Walker & Booker also all the land lying East of the line to be made beginning on Greer's N^o boundary line, and running centrally between my present plantation and the S^o Dawson Bonds in any direction, until it reach a point directly West of the S^o West corner of the tract of land I purchased of L. Glover including the land I bought of Alled Jones. I also give him the following negroes - namely Sharper Rachel, Betsey, Wando, Nofflet - Cary - Stephen - Perry - Gabriel - Solomon - Nancy - Duke - George - Rutherford & Rosette - I also give him the use of my gin and gin house as long as the same may last. I give to my son Lewis Bond the land I purchased of William Daniel say 450

acres, more or less - also the 80 acres I purchased of John Compton, also the 145 acres, known as the Joshua T. Walker land - also the 135 acres I purchased of Dr. Nelson, also the land I purchased of Lancaster Glover - about 200 acres - I also give him the sd Lewis Bond the following negroes, namely - Julia, Raggy - Semara - Poly, Nathan, Eliza - Martin - Stark - Charles - Harriott - Edward - Charity - Simah - William - Minna - Freeman - Sempai - Ben.

I give to my son Hance Bond the land on which he lives say 252 acres, more or less the same I purchased of M. T. Purnell, also I give him the use of my plantation on which I live and about 1000 acres of land with all the improvements (except the Cotton Gin house before mentioned) during his natural life, and after his death, it is my will that the said land & improvements be sold as my Executors may direct & the proceeds of the same be equally divided between the children of my four sons Dawson Bond, Eaton Bond, Hance Bond and Lewis Bond.

I also give the said Hance Bond the following negroes - namely Big Tilla, Lucinda, Letitia, Noah, Adron, Calvin Humphry - Haywood Francis - Huddy - Will - Hiney - Tom - Jerry - Jerry do - Atkin - Peter - Wright - Minny - & Gilbert -

I give to my son Eaton Bond the plantation on which he lives containing about 250 acres of land, the same I purchased of John Johnston - I have already conveyed to him the land he sold to Dr. Chapman, and assisted him in the purchase of land of R. J. Moore, I also give him the following negroes - namely, Caroline & child Tamar - Alfred - Clara - John - Mingo - Booker - Oswell - Little Tina - David - Hannah - Reuben - Gro - Violet - Marcus and Amanda -

I give to my daughter Mary Walker now in Arkansas - Two thousand dollars, provided she returns to this State and settles in the Western District - the said \$2000 - to be paid by my Executors out of the proceeds of my Cotton Crop -

I give to my sons Dawson Bond, Eaton Bond, Hance Bond and Lewis Bond, all of my stock

of mules, cattle and hogs - and my farming utensils I give to my grand-son Whitwell T. Bond my saddle horse.

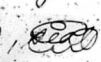
I give to my sons Dawson - Eaton - Hance and Lewis Bond - all of my household and kitchen furniture - also all the monies due me and in hand, and the proceeds of my Cotton Crop - after paying my debts and the amt. to be paid to Mary Walker.

I have already given to my sons-in-law Mr. Jones and David Jeffreys, and the heirs of my daughter Sarah Newberry - formerly Sarah Jeffreys - all the property I design for them to have out of my estate.

In addition to what I have already bequeathed to Eaton Bond - I give him negro girl Margaret - and Little Tilla's child Moses - and to Hance Bond, Huddy's child Neely -

I wish my Executors to loan out at interest a sufficient amt. of money on hand so that interest of the same will amount to fifty-five dollars per year - thirty-five of which I wish given to negro boy Aaron and twenty to the girls Lucinda and Frances - during life, they are the children of Big Tilla - this is given in consideration of the value of their mother as a servant.

I appoint Dawson Bond, Eaton Bond, Hance Bond & Lewis Bond Executors to this will - This 18th October 1849. No security required of my Executors - (Treasure of or to pay out of their own funds & none before signing)

Witness my hand & seal.
Lewis Bond, 

Test.

J. D. Harver
Jm. Ingram
J. G. A. Skillern.

Mary N. Holmes
Will

Provs at July Term 1857

See Minute Book No. 6 p. 383-393

In the name of God Amen.

I Mary N. Holmes of the County of Madison and State of Tennessee, being sick and weak of body, but of a sound mind and disposing memory, for which I desire to feel grateful to God, the giver of all good, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life, I resign my soul to God who gave it, and my body to be decently buried. And being desirous to dispose of all worldly substance that it has pleased God to bless me with, in the following manner, viz:

After my funeral expenses and all my just debts and lawful debts are paid.

1st I give and bequeath to my brother Pheophilus Holmes the sum of one thousand dollars.

2nd I give and bequeath to my sister Jane S. Baty the sum of five hundred dollars.

3rd I give and bequeath to my brother Hardy Holmes, one negro woman named Betsey and her youngest child Mariah.

4th I give and bequeath to my nephew Gabriel Holmes one negro boy named Turner, aged about 8 or nine years.

5th I give and bequeath to my sister Julia A. McBryde and the heirs of her body, one negro boy named William aged sixteen or 17 years, one negro girl named Harriet aged about (15) fifteen years, one negro boy John about 12 years, one negro girl Esther aged about ten years and one negro girl Anna aged about 6 years. It is also

my will that a certain house and lot in the town of Pittsborough, Chatham County North Carolina be sold, and out of the proceeds of sale of the same together with sundry notes of hand, now in the hands of B. J. Hodges Esq. of Wilmington North Carolina amounting in the aggregate to the sum of six hundred and four dollars and thirty six cents, the above mentioned sum of one thousand dollars be paid to my Brother the aforesaid Pheophilus Holmes and the above men-

tioned sum of Five Hundred Dollars be paid to my sister the aforesaid Jane S. Baty, and all the remainder of any together with all my effects not otherwise disposed of I will and bequeath to my sister Julia A. McBryde, and lastly.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend David Reid Esquire of North Carolina Executor of this my last Will and Testament,

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 24th day of May, 1857.

Mary N. Holmes,

Acknowledged in presence of
John R. Alston
Phos. Reid

Interlined before signing nephew and dollars.

Phos. Reid
John R. Alston

Codicil.

What is here appended, I do constitute to be as much a part of my will as what has been heretofore expressed & enjoying as I do the same mental powers - I then possessed - I do hereby revoke so much of the foregoing will as bequeaths to my brother H. L. Holmes absolutely, negroes Betsey, her child Mariah, and do hereby bequeath the sd negroes Betsey & Mariah to my Nephew Lucian Holmes in trust, for the following purposes, namely, that he shall use sd negroes for the benefit of my brother the sd H. L. Holmes during his life, the sd H. L. Holmes natural life, and after his death I give and bequeath sd negroes Betsey & Mariah to his two children Lucian Holmes & Mary A. Holmes. Witness my hand and seal this June 24. 1857.

Mary N. Holmes

Test
Geo. Ingram
L. Holmes

Robert O'Neil

Will

Proved at Sept. Term, 1857.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 364I, Robert O'Neil, do make
this as my Last Will and
Testament.I direct my funeral
expenses and all of my debts be paid as soon
after my death as possible out of any moneys
that I may die possessed of or that may
come into the hands of my Executor.I now bequeath to my son in law Jeremiah
Brooks one dollar and to my son in law
John McCarroll one dollar and I also give
to my son in law Daniel Teet one dollar and
I give to my daughter in law Cordelia O'Neil the
sum of one dollar and to my grand-son
Thomas O'Neil the son of Robert O'Neil deceased
I give twenty-five dollars and the balance of my
estate I desire equally amongst my six
living children to wit: Laban, Elisha, James
Ralph, Matilda and Sarah, and I do appoint
Elisha O'Neil my Executor to execute my last
will and testament.Given under my hand and seal, this
the 24th of September 1850,

Robert O'Neil

Witness

James L. Crawford
Harold E. Ethrus

Ann Fenner

Will

Proved at Sept. Term, 1857.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 368.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Ann Fenner of the County
of Madison State of Tennessee,
being of sound mind anddisposing memory, do make this my last will
and testament, hereby revoking all others, to wit:I give and bequeath to James Vaulx, John
McFenner & Calvin Henderson all and every species
of property of every kind of which I shall be
entitled to dispose at my death, absolutely and
fully, to be held by them in trust for the following

uses, trusts & purposes and for none other, to wit:

It is my will that my said trustees shall hold
all of the property above bequeathed in trust for
the sole use and benefit of my beloved daughter
Indiana M. Knight and her heirs forever, with all
the increase that may arise therefrom, it is my
will that she be permitted to have possession of
all said property of what ever kind it may con-
sist, and that she enjoy the use of the same
for herself and her heirs, and I further desire
that if at any time hereafter it should be the
opinion of my above named trustees or such
of them as may be living, that the necessities or
interest of my said daughter Indiana shall re-
quire that all or any part of the property hereby
bequeathed shall be sold, and the proceeds applied
for the use of herself or her heirs, that the same
be done and by this will they are hereby empowered
to make such sale and application of proceeds.I give and bequeath to each of my other
the sum of five shillings each and my blessing,
they all knowing the motives that induce me
to make the above disposition of my property
and that it does not proceed from any preference
or favoritism, for I love them all alike.I constitute and appoint the above named
trustees my executors of this my last will & testament
hoping they will see it executed as they know
intend.In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 16th day of August 1857.
Ann FennerWitnesses who signed in the
presence of testator
Wm. A. Burges
L. B. Burdick
William H. Henderson
C. C. Harris

Codicil

As a Codicil to this
my last will and testament it is my will and
desire and I do hereby bequeath to my son in law

James Vaux as special trustee, my negro girl Ann and her child now living and such increase as she may have hereafter to be held in trust for the sole use and benefit of my daughter-in-law Miriam Fenner and her heirs forever, to be held by him for her use and enjoyment in the same way as the property above bequeathed to my daughter Juliana Mc Knight hereby revoking my said will so far as relates to the said negro Ann & child but confirming it in every other respect In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 15th September, 1842.
Ann Fenner

Witnesses who signed in presence of Testator

L. C. Harris
William F. Henderson.

Codicil No 2.

As a further Codicil to this my last will and Testament, I, Ann Fenner do hereby will and bequeath to my two grand-children, Laura B. Fenner & Junius S. Fenner children of John M. Fenner decd - as tenants in common, the negro boy Dick now about seven years old, whom I bought from Samuel Lancaster. and I ordain & publish this as a part of my last will and testament.

Witness my hand & seal December the 23^d 1850.

Ann Fenner

Signed, sealed & acknowledged in our presence on the day of its date.
Julius Johnson
Wm. H. Burges.

William Dyer
Will.

Prove at Nov. Term, 1851.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 384.

do make and publish

In the name of God, Amen.
I, William Dyer of Madison County and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament

in the following manner.

First: I wish my funeral expenses to be paid and all my just debts.

Second: I give and bequeath to my loving wife Jane Dyer all of my property and monies so long as she remains a widow in case she should marry then the property to be equally divided amongst the children & wife.

Third: My will and wish is for her to keep all the property together so as to raise my little children free of charge so long as she is a widow.

Fourth: I wish my children to have a good English Education my will and wish is all the money that's due me to be laid out for land for my wife and children to live on.

My will and wish is for Hardaway Alston be my executor to my will this given under my hand and seal this September 10th 1851.

William Dyer

Test.

James Baxter
John Rooker.

Jordan C. Holt
Will.

Prove at Nov. Term, 1851.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 384.

The will of James Alston, coming here in regular order, is lost or mislaid - diligent search for it has been made in my office, and it cannot be found.

Tryphena Williams
Will.

Prove at Nov. Term, 1851.
See Minute Book No. 6, p. 385.

In the name of God, Amen.
I, Tryphena Williams of Dyer County and State of Tennessee, Being mindful of death, knowing that death is certain and life uncertain now of sound mind and memory do ordain this twenty second day of July in the year of our Lord, one