

to be recorded in the book of wills
This Nov 2nd 1896

Justices Clerk
By L.H. Duncy D.C.,

Last Will and Testament
of
John B. King Decd. } Probate in Virginia Court
in the name of God amen.

I - John B. King of the State of Virginia and a
County of Washington, being sound mind but weak
in body and knowing well the uncertainty of life
and the certainty of death and being desirous
to dispose of all such worldly substance as
a merciful God has been pleased to bless me with
on this 5th day of June 1888 do make my last will
and testament as follows.

- 1st I desire that all my just debts if any shall
be paid after my decease.
- 2nd all my funeral expenses, which must be my
plain, must be paid out of my estate.
- 3rd I give and bequeath, to the Trustees of Ashtown
Orphanage (South) All hundred Dollars to be used
for Foreign Missions, Also Fifty Dollars for Home
Missions work in the County of West Chester.
- Also Fifty Dollars to assist poor young men in
King College preparing for the ministry.
- 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Maria
B. King all my house and kitchen property ac-
quired since our marriage on May the 7th 1878.
Also, one good milch cow and three and
a half pigs, Also seven hundred (\$700) out of my estate
Also, I give unto to her the house and 3/4 acre
of land on which we now live, during her
natural life, or if she prefers it, ~~Five Hundred~~
Dollars in addition to the above mentioned \$700.
in lieu of the house and land above mentioned.
- 5th I desire that my library shall be divided

Equally between my beloved wife and children viz:
W.C. King, S.S. Delaney, Geo King, and Jas M. King
It is my wish that my wife shall have the cash
I am raising shall have Fifty Dollars (50) (if he con-
tinues good to my King) to help educate him.

I desire that my house and lot in Leesburg
Washington County, Tenn, and my 60 acre farm in Lee Co
Tenn be sold to the highest bidder in any year after
my decease, provided they are not disposed of in my
life time. I also desire that the place in which I now
live shall be sold after the decease of my wife or
in case she makes choice of the place as mentioned
in article 4th, then it may be sold by my Executors
as soon as they think best to the highest bidder.

I also desire that after the above bequeathments
are fully met, what ever else remains of my estate
personally or in nature, shall be divided equally between
my beloved children viz: Sarah S. Delaney, John S.
King and James M. King or in case of early any of
them dying, the survivor coming to their age shall
to his or her share.

I am in appoint John S. King, Jas M. King and
Simeon S. Delaney as Executors of this my last will
and testament.

I desire that any and to whom I have made
bequeathments in this will, bequeathments
thus with, shall now receive the Dollars from my
Estate.

John B. King (S.S.)

Attest:
J.M. Harrell
J.B. King

P.S. As there are hard times I & J.B. King have
concluded to give my wife and children
as much money as I can collect during
my life time for them which shall be included
in final settlement after my death as part
of bequeathment see below John B. King
Oct 2nd 1893 to my wife & children each \$100 = \$400.00
30th 1893 " " " " " " 1500 = 60.00
July 2nd 1894 " " " " " " 2000 = 80.00
Oct 8th 1894 " " " " " " 6000 = 2400.00

April 2nd 1894.

I, ^{James} John B. King, this ^{present} suggestion with in my last will and testament made the 5th day of June 1888 in article 4th last clause regarding 'Hes I give unto her the house and 3/4th of land on which we now live minus her natural share in as much as my real estate given by grant of experience to me that the heavy tax and the necessary attention to my real estate would be a heavy burden to my dear wife, therefore I suggest that if the Wm M. C. King, and each of my children viz: S. S. Delaney, John T. King, & James M. King should mutually agree the executors may sell said estate and divide the proceeds as follows:
One fifth of the proceeds to Anne and Foreie Wilson.

One fifth to my dear wife and one fifth to each of my dear children.

Or in case the above said persons do not assent with in the suggestion my last will and testament is to be carried out as originally written.

Or if, perfect security and suitably by the above persons, all the land on the house can be sold for say, may be disposed of as above stated and that received as my wife's home till her death &c.

John B. King in love and good will.

At a Court begun and held for the City of Bristol Va. the 2nd Day of November 1896.

Present—

Hon Wm S. Stuart Judge.

The last will and testament of John B. King deceased bearing date the 5th day of June 1888 with postscript thereto was this day produced in Court by John T. King, Jas M. King and Henry H. Delaney the executors therein named and proved according to law by the oath of John T. King and of the subscribing witnesses thereto; and the due attestation of said will by

J. W. Sorrell the other subscribing witnesses thereto was also proven by the oath of the said J. S. King and then being no subscribing witnesses to the postscript J. S. King and James M. King were sworn and solemnly depose that they are well acquainted with the testators hand writings and fully believe the said postscript and that name thereto subscribed to be wholly written by the testator own hand, and then upon it is ordered that the said last will and testament with the postscript thereto be read and all the names of John T. King, Jas M. King and Henry H. Delaney the executors named in said will who made oath thereto and to gether with J. W. Taylor and H. H. Delaney their Secretaries who qualified as to their sufficiency extend into and assumed get a bond in the penalty of \$3000.00 conditioned according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said will in due form.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the said Court the 6th Day of November 1896.

Virginia, City of Bristol.

I, James H. Stone Clerk of the Corporation Court for the City of Bristol Va. in the State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript of the records and the proceedings had in said Court in the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of John B. King deceased at the same appeared of record in my said office and I further certify that the copy of the said will thereto attached is a full true and correct copy of the last will and testament of the said John B. King deceased taken from the original will now on file in my said office.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the said Court the 6th Day of November 1896.

J. A. Stone Clerk

Virginia City of Bristol

I - Wm. S. Stuart 'Judge' of the Corporation Court for the City of Bristol and the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that James A. Stone whose genuine signature is subscribed to the foregoing certificate is Clerk of the Corporation Court for the City and State aforesaid and that his attestation is in due form of law and that he is the proper officer to authenticate instruments in said office and was at the date of his certificate and full faith and credit is due to all his official acts.

Given under my hand, this the 6th day of November, 1896

Wm. S. Stuart
Judge of Corporation Court
City of Bristol, Va.

Last Will & Testament

Wm. Maister died

Exhibited Jany Term 1897

I Wm. Maister being of sound mind do make and publish this as my last will and testament, and by revoking all making void all wills heretofore made by me at any time what ever.

First I will that my body have decent burial and that the expense of the same together with all other just debts be paid by my executor out of any mon. I may have and have at the time of my death or the first money that may come into my hands.

Second I will that my son H. A. Maister have all the lands of which I may be possessed, the same to be his during his natural life and at his death to go to his wife heirs which may be living at that time to have the same in full sample.

3rd It is my will that my daughter Sarah and my Maister have the mansion house in which I

now live as a home for herself, also the garden and the lot below the dam and the yard lot surrounding the house the same to be used and controlled by her as a home for her self and my Grand Daughter C. Blanch Miller during her life, I will also that they have a support of the same during the time my daughter remains single and Blanch until she arrives to the age of eighteen years. Also my daughter Sarah Ann Maister is to have joint use of the dam with my son so long as she remains single and the same both in case she does not choose to remain in the mansion house then the said house and lots aforesaid is to be rented for her use so long as she remains unmarried.

Fourth I will that my son H. A. Maister pay to my Grand Daughter C. Blanch Miller one hundred dollars at the time she arrives at the age of eighteen years or married.

Fifth I will to my daughter Sarah Ann Maister the sum of four hundred dollars in cash the same to be paid to her by my son H. A. Maister.

Sixth I will that my son H. A. Maister Sarah Ann Maister and C. Blanch Miller are to have equally all the my personal property and effects except I will that Sarah Ann Maister have the sewing machine safe, iron stove and cooking vessel and 1/2 of the dishes use the safe C. Blanch Miller to have the remaining 1/2 of the dishes.

Eighth I will that my son H. A. Maister have all my farming implements & all stock what ever.

Ninth I will that my daughter Sarah Ann Maister have one mare and the two choice cows the mare known as Bell to be her.

Tenth I will to Blanch 1 cow

Eleventh I will the remainder of my stock all the same to my son H. A. Maister

Twelfth I will that my daughter Sarah Ann Maister have all provisions and supplies of grain or provisions that I may have in hand at the time of my death. Lastly I will and require that my son H. A. Maister be the executor of this my last will and testament. Intestimony whereof I do to this day sign and