

State of Tennessee, I J. M. Fain Clerk of the
Sullivan County County Court of
said County do hereby
certify that the foregoing is a full, true and
perfect copy of the last will and testament and
the codicils thereto of Samuel Pearce, deceased,
as appears from the original will and codicil
now on file in my office. Given under my hand
and seal of Court at Office, in Blountville, on
this the 19th day of April, 1898.

J. M. Fain Clerk
By L. W. Denny D.C.

Last Will & Testament

Nathanial M. Taylor, Deed.

Testated April
19th 1898.

The last Will and Testament of Nathanial M.
Taylor.

I In the name of God Amen.

Nathanial M. Taylor, a citizen and resi-
dent of the Town of Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee,
being of sound and disposing mind and memory,
and realizing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty
of death, and desiring to make such disposition of my
worldly effects with which God has blessed me, as will
be in accordance with my desires, do make and publish
this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking
and annulling all other wills that may at any time
heretofore, have been made by me.

I will and desire, that: Immediately after my
death, or as soon thereafter as my Executors and Execu-
trix hereinafter named, can do so conveniently, all my
just debts and funeral expenses be paid, out of
any monies I may have on hand at my decease
that can be used for that purpose, or out of the proceeds
of the sale of any of my property that my Executors and
Executrix may deem proper to sell for that purpose.

I will and desire, that after the payment of all
my just debts, that all my property and estate
I may own at my death, situated in Sullivan

County, and Carter County, or wherever else the same
may be located, including all real and personal prop-
erty, choses in action of what ever nature, shall go
to and become vested in my beloved wife Mary H.
Taylor, to be held and used by her during her natural
life, for the benefit and comfort of herself and my
three children, Mary W. Winston, wife of J. H. Winston
Cogn. Janita J. Taylor, and Bessie C. Taylor. I will
and desire that my beloved wife Mary H. Taylor,
during her natural life aforesaid, shall have
absolute and uninterrupted control, management
and direction of my said estate, real and per-
sonal or otherwise, so called to her as aforesaid,
to be used by her in such way and manner for the
benefit, comfort and well being of herself, and
my said children above named, as in her judgment
she may deem best. I desire that those of my
children who are not completed their education
shall complete the same, the expense thereof to
be paid out of my said estate as my beloved wife
shall determine. I also will and direct, that if at any
time my wife should find it necessary, for the benefit
and comfort and well being of herself and my said
children and for the education of my said children, or
for the payment of debts, my said wife shall have full
power to sell and dispose of my said estate, real or
personal, or any part thereof she may deem proper, and
for the best interest of the estate, and the parties in-
terested therein, and I hereby invest her with full power
and authority to make and execute all deeds and
other papers that may be necessary to enable her to fully
carry out and make good the same. It is my purpose
and will to invest my beloved wife with full power to
act in these matters as she may deem best, and in as
full and ample manner as if I was living at the
time and acting myself in person.

Third. I will and desire that at the death of my
beloved wife, whatever of my said estate may be
left and remaining on hand, shall descend to
and become vested in equal interests in my
three children Mary W. Winston wife of J. H. Winston
Cogn. Janita J. Taylor, and Bessie C. Taylor, to
be held by each one in fee simple to her own
separate use and benefit, free from the marital
rights or claims of their or her husband or

or of any future husband either one may have hereafter, or of their respective creditors, And if any of either of my said three children shall die before my said wife, leaving issue, then I will that such issue take that part of my estate that its mother would have been entitled to take if living, and my said three children are hereby directed to divide said estate between themselves in equal interests aforesaid, either by partition, or by sale and partition, or otherwise as they may determine after the death of my said wife.

Fourth. I also will and desire that if any of my said three children shall need any money to be advanced to them out of my said estate after my death and during the life time of my said wife for their comfort and well being, that my said wife is hereby directed and invested with full power and authority to pay to each one of said children from time to time such sum or sums she may in her judgment deem best and proper, and she will keep an account of such sums so paid to each child, which shall be charged up to each child so as to make each one equal in the distribution of my said estate as hereinbefore provided, but she is not required to do this if the same will not leave her sufficient and ample means for her own comfort and support.

Fifth. I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Mary C. Taylor Executor and my cousin J. D. Hinson, Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and having the utmost confidence in their faithfulness to see to the execution of this my last Will and Testament it is my desire and wish, and I hereby direct that neither my said wife Mary C. Taylor, nor my said cousin J. D. Hinson shall be required to execute any bond as such Executors or Co-Executors.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of the undersigned,
and we certify that we were called
upon by the Testator to witness the
above do his last Will and Testament.
This May 22^d 1897
W. S. Blackley
Chas. R. Vance

Testimony when
I have hereunto
set my hand and
affixed my seal
This May 22^d 1897
J. M. Davis Clerk
of Co. Court

The foregoing will was proven in open Court, on this the 24th day of April, 1898 by the oaths of W. S. Blackley and Chas. R. Vance, subscribing witnesses thereto, who deposed and said that the said J. M. Taylor, signed and acknowledged the same in their presence as and for his last Will and Testament, and that they signed the same in her presence, as and for his last Will and Testament, and that they signed the same in his presence, and at his request, and in the presence of each other, on the day, and year aforesaid, and thereupon the same was read, declared, and declared by the Court to be the last Will and Testament of the said J. M. Taylor, deceased, and ordered to be recorded.

J. M. Davis Clerk
of Co. Court