

State of Tennessee
Tipton County.

November Term 1842.

The above last Will and Testament of Turner Pinkston late of this County was this day produced in open court by George B. Pinkston the executor therein named and was duly proven according to law by the oaths of Alexander W. Smith and James H. Hamilton the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office this 7th day of November A.D. 1842.

R. H. Munford, Clerk Tipton County, Tenn.

John Bradshaw's
Will.

State of Tennessee Tipton County

September 27th 1842. I John Bradshaw of sound mind do make this my last Will and Testament, and revoking all others, I wish the whole of my property to be kept together and under the management of my wife during her widowhood or lifetime or until the children arrive at age or marry then the children to draw their equal proportion.

The wife is bound to support the children as long as she has it in possession free of any charges on them.

We the undersigned testify that this is the last Will & Testament of John Bradshaw.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court
January Term 1843

Robert M. Orsborn
Thos P. Shelton
Bernard G. Hendrick

The foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Bradshaw was this day presented in open court whereupon Robert M. Orsborn Thomas P. Shelton and Bernard G. Hendrick whose names are subscribed thereto appeared in open court and being first duly

sworn testified and said that the said John Bradshaw being of sound and disposing mind and memory acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament the same having been first read to him and it was ordered to be recorded as such; and thereupon Mrs Ann Bradshaw the executrix therein named with Robert M. Orsborn and Thomas P. Shelton as her securities came into open court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of nine thousand dollars conditioned according to law and took the oath of executrix and it was ordered that letters testamentary issue to him.

Witness my hand at office this 22nd day of January 1843.

R. H. Munford, Clerk.

Archibald M. Simonton's
Will.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County.

We John Thompson Alexander Darr do state that Archibald M. Simonton on or about the 24th day of November 1842 made or expressed his Nonseparator Will in our presence and the presence of such other in his last sickness in his own dwelling in the County of Tipton as follows viz: It was his will and desire that his negro man Harry should be sold to such person as his father Robert Simonton might select to buy him and that the proceeds of such sale should be divided between his wife Lethia Simonton and his infant daughters much out by us and signed this 24th day of November 1842.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.

John Thompson
Alexander Darr

February Term 1843.

The above instrument of writing signed by John Thompson and Alexander Darr purporting to be the Nonseparator will of Archibald M. Simonton late of this County was this day presented for proplate as such; and Lethia Simonton the

widow the widow of the said A.M. Simonton having in writing waived the necessity of being summoned to contest said Will and having expressed a willingness for the same to be established the said John Thompson and Alexander Dan came into open court and being first duly sworn depone and said that the said paper contained the wishes expressed by the said A.M. Simonton in being of sound and disposing mind in their presence during his last illness at his place of residence and it was thereupon ordered to be recorded as such and upon application Wm. J. Strong, was appointed administrator with the Will annexed of the said A.M. Simonton and he came into open court with John Thompson and Alex Dan as his securities and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of one thousand dollars conditional according to law and took the oath of Administrator and it was ordered that letters of administration issue to him.

Witness my hand this 26 day of February 1843.

R. H. Munford. Clerk.

James Boram's Will.

I James Boram do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other Wills by me of any here made.

I direct that my funeral expences and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible and of my money that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executors.

Secondly That my wife Mary Boram have during her natural life a widowhood thirty acres of land one negro boy named Henry one horse one cow and calf one head of hog & household & kitchen furniture which property above named is to revert back to my body heirs equally as soon as she marries or at her death.

Thirdly That all my estate both real and personal be sold and equally divided amongst my children.

Martha A. Boram, Joseph H. Boram, James H. Boram, Elizabeth A. Boram & Joseph H. Boram in trust for my grand daughter Mary Rebecca. Rapel should any of my children or heirs do without leaving any heirs of their body it is my will that their property revert back to the heirs of my body equally. I do hereby nominate and appoint Joseph H. Boram, my executor. In witness whereof I do to this my Will set my hand and seal This 23 day of August A.D. 1842.

Lastly,

Interlined before signed.

Charles L. Fisher.

Richd. L. Bonel.

Bong. W. Winston.

State of Tennessee

Deputy County Court

James Boram (Seal)

April Term 1843.

Came within instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of James Boram late of this County. was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof being first duly proven according to law by the oaths of Charles L. Fisher and Richd. L. Bonel. Two of the subscribing witnesses thereof was ordered to be recorded and thereupon Joseph H. Boram the executor therein named and appointed with James H. Landrats and James R. Gilly as his securities came into open court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of six thousand dollars conditional according to law and was duly qualified as executor and it was ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him. Witness my hand at office this third day of April A.D. 1843.

R. H. Munford. Clerk.

State of Tennessee

Deputy County Court.

July Term 1843.

Mrs Mary Boram widow of James Boram Decr late of this County. this day came into open Court and dissented from the last Will and Testament of her late husband which was duly proven and ordered to be recorded at the last April Term of this Court and prayed that she may provide for as by the law in such and

that said will be set aside and rendered null and void so far as the provisions for her is therein made which was as ordered by the Court.

A true copy from the minutes of said Court

Witness, R.R. Mumford Clerk

William Simonton
Will.

State of Tennessee

Depton County

1st We Bayan Payne and Robert Simonton do state that William Simonton on the 17th day of May 1843 made his nonexecutive Will in our presence in which we were specially requested to have witness by him his sister Phyllis in the presence of each other in his last sickness in the his own dwelling house as follows to wit: It was his Will and desire after his decease his wife Catharine Simonton have all his household and kitchen furniture and his negro girl named Harriet do dispose of as she may think proper and likewise to have her lawful part of the residue of his property.

2nd In the second place, he wishes his negro man Dick to be sold if Dick should require as he had a wife in Randolph he wishes Dick to be with her or more convenient to his wife and if sold the money to be divided as the law directs.

3rd In the third place he wishes a new well to be dug and a brick chimney built to his kitchen the well to be walled with brick the brick for walling the well and building the chimney being now provided and paid for the digging and walling the well and building of the chimney to be paid for out of the estate made out by us and signed this 3rd day of July 1843

Bayan Payne,

Robert Simonton,

and furthermore on the 20th day of May 1843 adden to the above will in the presence of Robert Hill and Robert Miller that he wished his Ramsey tract of land sold and to be sold for cash or on a credit as may seem best for the interest of the estate made out and signed

by us as witnesses this the 3rd day of July 1843

State of Tennessee

Depton County Court.

July term 1843.

Robert Hill
Robt Miller

The within paper writing signed by Bayan Payne and Robert Simonton Robert Hill and Robt Miller purporting to be the Nonexecutive Will of William Simonton Dec. lat. of this County was was this day produced in open court and approved for probate as such and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that that paper had been signed and served on the widow and next of kin of the said Dec. to appear and contest the same if they thought proper therefore the said paper writing was proven according to law by the oaths of the said Bayan Payne Robert Simonton, Robert Miller and Robert Hill and order to be recorded as the Nonexecutive Will of the said W. Simonton.

Witness my hand at office this 3rd day of July - A.D. 1843.

R.R. Mumford Clerk.

Henry Yarbrough
Will.

In the name of God Amen I Henry Yarbrough of the County of Depton and State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament revoking and making void all other Will by me at any time made.

- First I direct that all my funeral expences and just debts out of any money that I may be possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my executors.
- Second, I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth French or her heirs the sum of one hundred dollars.
- Third I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Collins or her heirs the sum of one hundred dollars.
- Fourth I give and bequeath to my daughter Betsy Smith or her heirs the sum of one hundred dollars.
- Fifth I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Smith or her heirs the sum of one hundred dollars.

- Sixth I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Smith or
or to her heirs the sum of one hundred dollars.
- Seventh I give and bequeath to my daughter Catharine Smith or
or to her heirs the sum of one hundred dollars.
- Eighth I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Davis the daughter of
my deceased wife or to her heirs the sum of one
hundred dollars.
- Ninth I give and bequeath to William Curvingham the
son of my deceased wife or to her heirs the sum of one
hundred dollars.
- Tenth I give and bequeath to my son Andrew A. Yearbrough
my tract of land on which I now reside also
my nation and sell of Block Smith's lot.
- Eleventh After the payment and satisfaction of all the of the
foregoing bequest and legacies to be made by my
executors out of any money of which I may dis-
posed or from the sale of such of my property
as they may think best: It is my wish and desire
that all of the remainder of my property and estate
of any & every description whatever both real and
personal shall be equally divided between my
two sons Edward Yearbrough and Andrew A.
Yearbrough in their heirs.
- Twelfth I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons
Edward and Anderson A. Yearbrough my executors
In witness of which I do this day my Will subscribe
my name and affix my seal this fourth day of
November A.D. 1841.
- Signed sealed and published in our presence and
we have subscribed our names here as witnesses
in presence of the testator and of each other.
- This 4th November 1841

State of Tennessee
Fulton County Court.

R. H. Mumford
J. P. Davis
James Owen

July Term 1843

Regularly certified transcript of the proceedings
of this Circuit Court of this County in the case
of the Contested Will of Henry Yearbrough Dec.
(which was at the last February term of this Court
presented for probate) was this day produced in
open Court (together with the within paper writing

purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the
said Henry Yearbrough fully establishing said Will
and remanding the same to this Court to be proven
and recorded as the law directs and thereupon the
said last Will and Testament was duly proven
according to law in open Court by the oath of R. H.
Mumford, J. P. Davis, and James Owen the subscribing
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office this 3 day of July. A.D. 1843.

R. H. Mumford Clerk.

Job
Yearbrough
Will.

- I Job Yearbrough of the County of Fulton
& State of Tennessee do make and pub-
lish this my last Will and Testament hereby
revoking and making void all former Will be in
at any time heretofore made by me and first I
direct that my body be decently interred in a
manner suitable to my condition in life thus to
remain in hope of a blessed immortality & resurrection
in my eternal and my soul I cheerfully commit into
the hands of that merciful God who gave it and as
to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to
entrust me with I dispose of the as follows.
- First I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses
be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of
any money that I may be possessed of or may first
come into the hands of my executors from any portion
of my estate real or personal.
- Secondly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha
during her natural life or widowhood my landed
estate containing one hundred & fifty seven acres
upon which I now reside and at the decease or second
marriage to descend to my three sons equally between
them (to wit) Phillip James Morris and an infant
son unnamed and in case any of or either of
them should die before said division or distribution
should take place then and in that case to descend
to the son or sons then living.
- Third My rifle gun I give and bequeath to my son Phillip.

Finally I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha during her natural life or widowhood all my stock consisting of horses cattle and hogs & household and kitchen furniture and also two negro boys named Leodwin and Peter and after her decease & marriage to be equally divided between my four daughters (to wit) Nancy, July Ann, Mary Emgen & Pety Frances. Believing that I have already given my daughter Nancy the amount of fifty dollars I therefore direct that each of my other daughters receive an amount equal to hers and then an equal distribution be made between those who are living & the daughters or their children at the time said distribution shall be made.

Lastly I do hereby make ordain and appoint my wife Martha and my son-in-law Andrew G. Burnes Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I John Rocks the said Testator have this my Will written on one sheet of paper, set my hand and seal this 1st day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three signed sealed and published in the presence of us who subscribe in the presence of the Testator and of each other.

Joshua J. Black.

William Black.

John Rocks

Seal

State of Tennessee
Cipton County Court.

September Term 1843. The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Rocks late of this County was this day produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly proven according to law by the oaths of Joshua J. Black and William Black the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And thereupon Anderson G. Burnes one of the executors therein named having entered into bond as the law directs was duly qualified as executor and it was ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him. Witness my hand at office this 11th day of September 1843.

R. H. Mumford Clerk

Frederick W. Lane.
Noncapatus Will.

We certify that Mr. Emley M. Lane on his death bed at the house of Leonard Smith in Cipton County Tennessee said that he wished his debts first to be paid out of his estate and also that the balance to be sent to his mother we state that he died on or about the 22 day of August last December 4th 1843.

Leonard Smith.
Leodwin

State of Tennessee
Cipton County Court.

December Term 1843. The foregoing paper writing signed by Leonard Smith and Leonard Fieger purporting to be the Noncapatus Will of Frederick W. Lane late of this County and the said Leonard Smith and Leonard Fieger being first duly sworn and said that the said Frederick W. Lane being of sound and disposing mind and memory at his usual dwelling place and during his last illness in their presence made the request contained in said paper writing and it was ordered that the same be established and recorded as his Noncapatus Will and thereupon Will M. Lane and with Bangs Payne & Moses Smith as his securing came into open court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Five hundred dollars conditioned according to law and being duly sworn as administrators it was ordered that letters testamentary of administration be issued to him. Witness my hand at office this 11th day of December 1843.

R. H. Mumford Clerk

Benjamin Moore
Will.

State of Tennessee
Cipton County March 3rd 1843

Be it remembered that P. Benjamin Moore being sound in mind and of disposing memory and being married of my mortality

to make and publish this my last Will and Testament.

I wish all the debts that I may owe at my death to be paid as speedily as may be convenient out of any money or property my administrators may think proper to dispose of as.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth all of my property that I may be seized or possessed of to wit: all of my lands negroes stock of every description beds and all other household and kitchen furniture all of my farming utensils hickorys, chickens, ducks, geese, and peafowls during her widowhood.

It is my desire that if my wife should marry and if she does not marry at her death that my property be divided into three equal parts one third part I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth none in fee simply that she may that she may give it to whom she pleases.

The other two thirds I lend to my daughter Mildred Ralph during her natural life and at her death it be equally divided between her children the lawful heirs of her body.

I do hereby appoint my wife sole administratrix and I do hereby release her from the necessity of giving any security whatever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 3 day of March, 1843.

Witness

W. D. Jones.

J. A. Carr.

Elijah Brown.

State of Tennessee
Expton County Court.

October Term 1844

B. More.

Exat.

The within instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjamin More Decd late of this County was this day presented in open Court and duly proven according to law by the oaths of W. D. Jones and Elijah Brown two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and accorded to be recorded and thereupon Elizabeth More the executrix therein named came into

Court and was duly qualified by taking the oath the oath required by law (no bond being given) the Court decided that by the provisions of said Will no bond or security was required and it was ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him.
Witness my hand at office this 4th day of October 1844.

R. H. Munford, Clerk
Expton County Court

Thomas Butler
Will

I Thomas Butler of the County of Expton & State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind & memory the weak and frail in body do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament.

I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Butler during her natural life the tract of land on which I now live with all of my stock of every kind household and kitchen furniture of every kind except my china Press which I will to my youngest daughter Lucrecia Butler to be given to them at the death of my wife or at any time that she may think proper to give them up I also leave to my wife all of my farming & plantation tools & implements of every kind all of my crop or corn fodder &c I leave also my crop of Cotton & all of my debts claims &c of every kind out of which she is to pay what debts I may be owing after my decease I also will to my wife the following slaves during her natural life Agg, Tom, Lucy & her child Edward my negro Isaac & Mary Gunn I want sold soon after my death and also the piece of land which I bought of Trawick and with the proceeds I want my executor to buy such negroes as will suit my wife one of them to be given to my daughter Lucrecia and one to my daughter Mary Howard if the cotton crop debts due me &c are not sufficient to pay all of my debts part of the proceeds of the land & negroes to be sold must be applied to their payment Mary Howard to have her negro which is to be equal in value to the one I gave my daughter Almira

The one for Lucinda of equal value with the one to Mary Howard to ~~show~~ she is to have money her mother wishes her to have it or at her mother's death the tract of land on which James Overall lives except the South half I will to my son-in-law James Dallahunt in trust for my daughter Lucinda Overall which is not to be sold at no time without the consent of said Lucinda and should she die without selling it I will it to her children the South half except that portion bequeathed to A. W. Smith my about twenty acres I leave to James Overall I have heard that James Overall's father willed the negro man Isaac before named to said James Overall's children if that is so and they told him then I will that the land before left in trust to James Dallahunt for Lucinda shall be disposed of by my executor as I have directed that the boy Isaac is to be for I consider that if they were to hold said negro they would then have an equal share of my estate without the land for it is my object to leave all my equal share as high as I can the negro that I have given to all of my children therefore I now confirm to them my wife has liberty to give to my daughter Lucinda at any time she may wish to do so an equal share and if furniture &c with the other children who have married off & been provided for at the death of my wife I wish my executor to sell the land negroes &c every thing my wife may have & divide it out equally between all of my children now living each one according to what they have heretofore had so that when a final division takes place all may be equally provided for share and share alike as near as possible if my wife prefers it my executor can sell my crop of cotton collect my debts and pay off all claims against me without be being put to any trouble about it for it is my will that my debts shall be paid as good as possible after my death. I hereby appoint my friend A. W. Smith my executor to carry into execution this my last Will and Testament and it is also my Will that the County Court shall not require him to give either bond or security.

as executor as I have full confidence in his integrity and responsibility without either I now submit the matter to the matter by subscribing my name and affixing my seal this 18th day of October A.D. 1844.

Signed and sealed in presence of us Thomas Butler Seal
J. Thigpen.

J. D. Ashburn,
State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

November Term 1844.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Butler late of this County but now deceased was this day produced in open court and duly proven according to law by the oaths of J. Thigpen and John D. Ashburn the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and A. W. Smith the executor therein named having refused to qualify as such and Mrs Pollis Butler widow of the said Thomas Butler having relinquished in writing the right to administer on her deceased husband's estate in favor of her son Anderson M. Butler it was ordered that he be appointed administrator with the will annexed of the said Thomas Butler and thereafter with John M. Butler Jere Overall & J. Thigpen as his securities he came into open court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$5000. conditioned as the law directs and was duly qualified as administrator and it was ordered that letters of administration issue to him.

Witness my hand at office this 18th day of November A.D. 1844.

R. H. Mansford Clerk
by J. Morrison D. Clerk.

William J. Shaw's
Noncapable Will.

Tipton County Tenn Dec 2 1844.

We the undersigned persons do certify that we were at the house of W. J. Shaw a few days before his death and that he expressed it as his wish that so much of his lands should be sold as would satisfy the claims of Rev John Wilson against

Sum.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.
January Term 1845

Andrs. M. Quiston
Alexander J. W. Quiston
James M. M. Cain.

The above instrument of writing signed by Andrew M. Quiston Alex. J. W. Quiston and James M. M. Cain was this day produced in open court and offered for probate as the Noncapative Will of William J. Shaw Dec. late of this county and the said Alex. J. W. Quiston and James M. M. Cain appearing appearing in court and being first duly sworn depose and say that they were at the house of the said W. J. Shaw during his last illness a few days before his death and that they were specially called on by him to bear witness to his request as expressed in said instrument of writing and it was thereupon ordered by the court that the same be fully established and recorded as the Noncapative Will of the said W. J. Shaw Dec.

(Witness my hand at office this 6th day of January AD 1845

R. H. Mumford Clerk.

William Talley
Will

In the name of God Amen
I William Talley of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following
I lend unto my beloved wife Rebecca Talley (should she survive me) the whole of my estate of every kind character and description during her natural life or widowhood and hereby invest her with full power and authority (should I die without purchasing my land) to sell or otherwise dispose of any or such portion of said property as she may deem advisable in the purchase of such a quantity of land as she may desire for a home for herself and such such of her children as may be with her

Item 2

After the death of my said wife Rebecca Talley I give and bequeath to my son John P. Talley William H. Talley Joseph S. Talley James G. Talley Edward F. Talley and to my daughter Sarah E. Talley and to my granddaughters Rebecca Ann Thomas Talley Hallen the sum of seven hundred dollars each to be allotted to them in property belonging to my estate.

Item 3

I give and bequeath to my daughter Annanna P. Talley one bed and Furniture.

Item 4th

after the payment of the legacies below mentioned my will and desire is that the whole of my estate aforesaid or any land that may be acquired by me during my life or by wife after my death shall be equally divided between my sons John P. Talley, William H. Talley, Joseph S. Talley, James G. Talley, Edward F. Talley, and my daughters Martha Rose Elizabeth Ford Annanna P. Talley and my granddaughters Rebecca Ann Thomas Talley Hallen and shall be divided alike but is my will and desire and it is expressly hereby declared that in portion allotted to the division of my estate to my daughters Martha Rose and Elizabeth Ford is to be their separate and maintenance of themselves and their children during their respective lives and at their death to be equally divided among their children then living or the heirs of such of them as may have died but in no way or manner so to be under the control of their husband, Williamson Rose and mainly Ford or otherwise rendered liable for the payment of their debts.

Item 5th

I hereby appoint and constitute my beloved wife Rebecca Talley my son James G. Talley and my son-in-law Charles M. Hallen Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 5th day of January AD 1845

Witness
R. H. Mumford
J. J. Cain

William Talley

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.

June Term 1845;

The within instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Elder of This County was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven according to law by the oaths of Patrick H. Munnally and James G. Cain, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. Witness my hand at office this 3 day of June 9, 1845.

R. H. Munnford Clerk.

John W. Elin.
Will.

Tennessee Tipton County 12th
August 1845. In the name of God Amen
I John W. Elin do make this my last Will and Testament that all my property be sold and all my just debts paid and all the balance of my estate I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Elin for the purpose of supporting my said wife and my four children and lastly I do appoint my friend James W. Cooley my Executor of this my last Will and Testament Given under my hand the above written signs in the presence of

Jos. P. Booker.

W. H. Jernigan.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.

John W. Elin. Seal.

May Term 1846.

The above paper Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John W. Elin was this produced in open court and thereupon the same was duly proven by the oaths of Joseph P. Booker and W. H. Jernigan the subscribing witnesses thereto acknowledged according to law and ordered to be recorded and James W. Cooley the Executor therein named having reported to

Jernigan the subscribing witnesses thereto acknowledged according to law and ordered to be recorded and James W. Cooley the Executor therein named having reported to

specialty as such Mary Elin widow of the said John W. Elin was an application appointed Adm^r with the Will annexed &c Witness my hand at office this 4th day of May 1846.

R. H. Munnford Clerk.

William Simpson.
Will.

- In the name of God Amen
I W. Simpson being weak sick and weak in body but sound in mind & judgment do make this my last Will and Testament
- 1st In the first place it is my wish that my lawful debts be paid and for this purpose I wish the following property to be sold viz my pork two cattle & the brown mare and collection to be made on my notes & book accounts and if the proceeds of the sale of the above property and the collection to be made should not be sufficient to pay all of my debts I wish such other horses & cattle to be sold as my family can spare best.
 - 2^d In the second place it is my wish that the stock in the haryard should be turned out.
 - 3^d In the third place it is my wish that my family should remain together & that the remainder of the remainder of the property should be kept together & be under the control of my beloved wife Chancy Simpson until my youngest child shall arrive at the age of twenty one and then that there be an equal division made between my wife and children.
 - 4th In the fourth place it is my wish that the children shall receive a good English education & that the older children should work and assist in raising the younger ones so that all may fare as near alike as the nature of the case will admit.
 - 5th In the fifth place it is my wish that the town spread & stock shall be sold if seven hundred dollars can be got for them or the proceeds of it in safe hands otherwise to be managed as is specified in the second particular sub however if the debt cannot be paid without a sacrifice of property I wish the haryard to be sold first in the next place should my beloved wife

Last

marry again or should the ben's wish to marry
 & settle themselves if it is my wish that they
 should receive something like their share of the
 estate to assist them in commencing business.
 In the last place it is my wish that Robert
 Simonson & my beloved wife Nancy Simpson should
 be the sole and whole executors of this my last Will
 and Testament and that Robert Miller Superin-
 tend the business of the tannery as far as to
 collect the debts make sales of the leather & furnish
 what is necessary to work out the leather to
 the best advantage. And that no security should
 be required of these my executors. Signed
 sealed and acknowledged in the presence of
 this 1st day of February 1842.

Alexander Darr,

William Simpson (Seal)

James M. Kelley

State of Tennessee

Tipton County Court

The within last Will and
 Testament of William Simpson late of this County
 was this day presented in open court and the
 execution thereof fully proven according to law
 by the oaths of Alexander Darr one of the
 subscribing witnesses thereto and it was
 thereupon continued for further probate and

Nancy Simpson and Robert Simonson Executors
 and Executrix therein named came into open court
 (there being no security required by said Will)
 and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in
 the penalty of Eight thousand dollars conditioned
 according to law - and were duly sworn as Execu-
 tors and Executrix and it was thereupon ordered
 that letters testamentary issue to them.

Witness my hand at office this 1st day of August
 1842.

R. H. Munford Clerk,

Tipton County Court.

State of Tennessee

Tipton County Court

The within last Will
 and Testament of William Simpson was further
 proven by one of the subscribing witnesses at
 August term 1842. of this Court and

and continued further probate was again this
 day produced in open court and fully proven by
 and established by the oath of James M. Kelley the
 other subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be
 recorded. Witness my hand at office this 1st
 day of July, 1844.

R. H. Munford Clerk,

William Bonner's

Will

In the name of God Amen
 I William Bonner of Tipton County State of
 Tennessee being of sound mind and perfect
 knowing that it is appointed to all men once
 to die but being sound in mind and judgment
 do make this my last Will and Testament in
 the first place I will and bequeath to my son
 Thomas Bonner my saddle shot gun boots and the
 family Bible and History of Christianity. I will
 and bequeath to my daughter Jane Thompson
 my two books with biography and Mourner comfort
 and my silver spectacles my bedstead bed and
 its clothing I will and bequeath to my grand
 daughter Margaret Thompson my Trunk In the next
 place I will that my body be decently buried
 and the expences paid out of my estate and that
 all my debts and legal liabilities be paid out of
 my estate in the next place I will and bequeath
 to my deceased sons John, Samuel David, Robert
 & James Bonner five dollars each. I will and
 bequeath to my deceased son William's heirs five
 dollars I will and bequeath to my deceased Daugh-
 ter Martha Millings children five dollars each
 and the balance of my estate to be equally divided
 between my daughter Jane Thompson and my
 son Thomas Bonner. In the last place I appoint
 and constitute Robert Simonson whole & sole executor
 of this my last Will and Testament signed sealed
 this 2nd October 1844 in presence of.

Robert Miller

John Thompson

Wm Bonner (Seal)

State of Tennessee,
Fulton County Court.

August Term 1846.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Bonner late of this County was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven according to law by the oaths of Robert Miller and John Thompson the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.
Witness my hand at office this 3^d day of August 1846.

R. H. Munford. Clerk.

Thomas Gooder.
Will.

Thomas Gooder being 64 years old and infirm in body but of sound mind and memory and wishing to make other and different disposition of my worldly effects than that regulated by the laws of the land do make and publish this my last Will and Testament as follows.

First. I wish all of my just debts of my and funeral expences to be paid out of my money or property of which I may be possessed.

Second. As I have already at different times given to all my children except those hereinafter named their respective full and equal portions of my estate or more, it is my wish and desire that the whole of the property and money of which I am at this time possessed, shall be divided as follows to wit I will and bequeath to my daughter Adilissa Giffen freed or red and white spotted sheep 80 my son Thomas Jefferson Giffen I give and bequeath one bedstead featherbed and furniture and the white no horned cow and owing to the present bodily affliction of my daughter Maranda Greer and assuming ^{return} double for her trouble and the constant kind and affectionate attention she has bestowed both upon myself and her Mother during my infirm old age I will and bequeath to her all the remainder of my property

money and effects of every kind and description after the satisfaction of the above named bequests embracing my house and lot in Covington to her and her heirs forever to do with and dispose of as she may think proper.

Lastly. I do hereby appoint my daughter Maranda Greer Executrix of this my last Will and Testament for the due execution of which it is my wish that she shall not be required by the court to give any security to her bond.
In testimony of which I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 28th day of November A.D. 1846.

Signed & acknowledged in our presence the day & date above written

R. H. Munford.

R. J. Mitchell.

Thomas Gooder ^{his} mark

State of Tennessee,
Fulton County Court.

January Term 1847.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Col. Thomas Gooder late of this County was this day produced in open court and the execution of the same fully proven and established by the oaths of Robert J. Mitchell and Richard H. Munford the subscribing witnesses thereto and it was ordered to be recorded.
Witness my hand at office this 16th day of January A.D. 1847.

R. H. Munford. Clerk.

John Taylor.
Will.

In the name of God I John Taylor sr. of the County of Fulton & State of Tennessee being in sound mind and memory and knowing how precious this life is hath made and ordained this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following

First. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Lucy Lynn Machin all that tract of land on which I now live lying in the County of Fulton & Hay and containing

upwards of one thousand acres (except a portion of said land which I will now fully designate in an after clause) and I do also confirm a real title to all the ~~the~~ negro slaves I have heretofore given her & their increase now in her possession to her her heirs and assigns forever confirming all gifts of ever nature & kind that I have heretofore verbally given her I also give my ^{1^d} daughter Lucy L. Madin the following negroes (to wit) Richmond & his wife Judy and her children (except two that I have or shall give my grand son John Taylor March in an after than) names of Judy's children given to Lucy L. Madin. Eliza, Eliza, Minny, Mary, Betty, & Richmond, & their increase, to her and her heirs forever also my black Smith Peter. Dales give to my daughter Lucy L. Madin all my houses hold and kitchen furniture & all my stock of horses cattle swine & and my furniture and my portion of the corn that is made on the plantation in year of my death.

Secondly

I give and bequeath unto my Grand son John Taylor March two negroes named Gen and Salis Am Judas children to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Thirdly

I give and bequeath unto George Tany Taylor in trust for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Smith Hunt during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided between her children to be enjoyed by them & their heirs forever the following slaves to wit Minnie, Jinney, Puck, Lizz, Fannis Astorn, Jinney, Bellon, Emily, Letitia, Amey, Polly, Ben, Stephen, Gilbert, East, Washington, Bryton, Ambrose, Scipio, Moses, William Henry, John Henry, Joe, Ned, Austin, Arthur, Wesley, Otway, Hewitts, Henry, Sarah, Lucretia, Little Bryton, Laurens, Jimmy, William, Anderson & all their increase. It is my further Will and desire that the foregoing property (together with whatever other property is hereinafter bequeathed in trust for the benefit of my said daughter Mary S. Hunt, and her children) shall not on any

pretense whatever be removed from this State unless the sister George Tany Taylor should remove to another State in which even it is my will & desire that all property bequeathed to him in trust for the use and benefit of my daughter aforesaid shall be earned with him whenever he may remove, so that it may be managed by him keeping it under his immediate inspection and control as much as practicable for the use and purposes above specified I also give and bequeath unto George Tany Taylor a portion of the tract of land that I now live on lying on the North side of ^{the} land adjoining the land that William Taylor so purch^d of John Glasgow Beginning at Barner line crosses my Spring branch. Thence up the said branch to a West fork near an old brick kiln thence up the West fork as it meanders to a spring near a second brick kiln from ^{the} Spring one West to the land of W. A. Taylor. De^d In trust to the said George T. Taylor for the especial benefit of my daughter Mary Smith Hunt to be held by him in the same manner as the negroes & other property the balance of my estate and tract of land that I now live on lying South of the above line I have given in the first clause of this will to my daughter Lucy Lizzin Machine to her, her heirs & assigns forever I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Eliza Lewis the following negroes (to wit) Lucinda and all her children beginning at Phillip ^{the} & her grand children also River Juda & her two children Henry & Jane also negro woman Sallis & her children now in the possession of of Col. John Lewis her father should she die before she marries or become of lawful age then ^{the} negroes to be returned to my estate & divided equally between my children (William & George's children indicated as on this part).

Fourthly

I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Virginia Taylor negro woman Leathy and her children to her heirs and assigns forever.

Fifthly

I bequeath give and the rest & residue of my

Meredith Daniel
Will.

I Meredith Daniel of Tipton
County in the state of Tennessee, being of
sound mind, do make this my last Will and
Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made,
that all my just debts be paid.

I give and bequeath to my two sons Thomas M.
Daniel and George M. Daniel all my real estate
of which I do seized it to be divided equally
between said Thomas M. Daniel and George
M. Daniel.

And I give and bequeath to Peter S. Johnson
one hundred dollars provided said P. S. Johnson
stays with Thomas M. Daniel until said P. S.
Johnson shall become twenty one years of age
otherwise nothing.

I further give and bequeath unto my step
daughters Eliza Jane Jackson, and Martha
Elizabeth Jackson each a bedstead & bedding
and a cow and calf of said Eliza Jane & Martha
Elizabeth shall remain and keep house for
Thomas M. Daniel and the children.

I give and bequeath unto Thomas M. Daniel
George M. Daniel, Manerva Marilla Daniel, all
of my personal property that has not been dis-
posed of in the Will the same to be equally
divided between them.

I do make Thomas M. Daniel my Executor and
Thomas M. Daniel to have power to sell the
personal property whenever he thinks best
for the heirs.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name this 20th day of Feb- 1847.

Wm. Daniel Reid, Maryditch Daniel.
G. H. Howard, William Butts.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

I do within paper writing
purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of Meredith Daniel Sec late of this County, read
this day produced in open Court and duly proven

First
second

Lastly,

estate to my three grand children daughters
the Daughters of my De^d Son William A. Taylor
amongst them and two negro men Lawson &
Bosson the title of the land that I called Badgerman
was in me but in the possession of my son
William A. Taylor I authorizing him to sell it
which he done the proceeds of the said land I
have given him & all other money that I have
from time to time advanced for him & I have no
claim against his Estate & do hereby cancel
all claims between us for money transactions
I appoint my son in law Dr. James B. Madrin
Executor to this my last Will and Testament
without his giving security for his faithful
performance neither do I wish an inventory
or appraisement of my estate In testimony
whereof I set my hand & seal this first day of
February in the year of our Lord 1847.

Crasus before signed.

John Taylor. (Seal)

William Taylor sen.

William Culbreath.

John S. Peets.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.

The foregoing paper writing
purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of John Taylor De^d late of this County was this day
produced in open Court for probate and was
duly proven according to law by the oath of
William Culbreath and John S. Peets two of the
subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be
recorded and Jas. B. Madrin the executor therein
named appeared in open court and entered
into bond in the sum of fifty thousand dollars
conditioned according to law (said will providing
that no security should be required of him)
and was duly qualified as executor by taking
the oath prescribed by law and it was
ordered that letters testamentary be issued to
him. Witness my hand at office this 3^d
day of May A.D. 1847.

R. H. Munford, Clerk.

according to law by the oaths of Samuel Bond
and William Brels two of the subscribing
witnesses thereto and order to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office this 7th day of

June - 1847.

R. H. Munford Clerk.

Leonard Smith's
Will.

I Leonard Smith of the
County of Tipton and State of Tennessee
do make and publish this my last Will and
Testament hereby revoking all and making
void all former Wills by me at any time
heretofore made.

I direct that my body be interred decently in
a manner suited to my condition in life and
as to such worldly estate or goods as it hath
pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of
the same as follows.

I direct that all my just debts & funeral expenses
be paid as soon after my decease as possible
out of my property or money that may be on hand

I appoint my sons Moses Smith and
Augustus Smith Executors to this my last Will
and Testament and it is my wish that they
sell up my estate as soon after my death
as is practicable.

I will and bequeath to my son Moses Two hundred
acres of land where he now lives on the east side
of Hatchells creek I wish the creek to be his West
boundary line if it will include two hundred
acres by running down to the fork of said creek
but if not then he is to run West across the
creek so as to make two hundred acres also
a negro woman & child which I heretofore let him
by the name of Nancy.

I will and bequeath to my daughter Jemima half
the land in the North of the crop fence being part
of my 640 acre tract & in the south West corner
and adjoining the place whereon my son in law
Charles Walk now lives beginning where the crop
fence joins there East with the fence to

the branch then an easterly direction with the
meanderings of the branch to the North East corner
of said Walks one hundred and twenty acre tract
supposed to contain about fifty acres it being the
same that I had intended to give to my daughter
Elizabeth Miller but her husband P. S. Miller having
sold the same & wished me to make the title to Walk
& Wife also one hundred and twenty five acres
of land off of the West end of the two hundred and
fifty acre tract which I purchased of Charles Polk
and a negro woman Pleg and her increase.

I will and bequeath to my daughter Sarah S. Hargis
one hundred and twenty five acres of land off of
the East end of the two hundred and fifty acres
which I purchased from Charles Polk I have her-
etofore given her one hundred and fifty dollars
in the place of a negro girl.

I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Miller
an negro woman named Peggy & her increase
which she has raised the land which I intended
for her her husband having sold to a Walk
and wished me to make the title to Walk & his
Wife in addition to the foregoing I wish to the
said Elizabeth Miller fifty dollars to be paid by
my Executors.

I will and bequeath to my daughter son Augustus
Three hundred and ninety acres of land it being
the farm on which I now live & also one hundred
acres off of the East side of the Bradshaw tract the
crop fence to be his line making in all four hun-
dred and ninety acres, I have given him five

hundred and fifty dollars to purchase a negro.
I will and bequeath to my son Leonard B. the tract
of land known as the Howard place containing
two hundred and fifty five acres and sixty acres
off of the West side of the Bradshaw tract making
in all Three hundred and five acres and five
hundred and fifty dollars in money if I should
not give him a negro before my decease.

I will and bequeath to my son Moses Augustus
and Leonard B. in addition to what I have heretofore
bequeathed to them my two Wills and the land
around them known as the Mill tracts about four

John Stevens.
Sr. Will.

In the name of God Amen
I John Stevens of the County of Tippecanoe and
State of Tennessee, do make and publish
this my last Will and Testament hereby
revoking all others and making void all
other wills by me at any time made.

1st I direct that my funeral expenses and all
my just debts be paid as soon after my death
as possible out of any money that I may be
possessed of or may first come into the hands of
my executors.

2^d I give to my son Henry Stevens five slaves, Jack,
Mick, Peggy, and for his children, Sally and Ruth
also I divide to said Henry one half of the tract of
land on which I now reside containing four
hundred and seven and a quarter acres said
land to be divided East and West, and said
Henry is to take the one half including my
dwelling house and other out houses, taking
two hundred and three acres and $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre
being the one half in number of acres of said
four hundred and seven and a quarter acres.

3^d I give to my son John five slaves, Ervick, Green,
Cuthbert, and two children Sarah & Buxton
also the other half of my land as above de-
scribed to be divided in the way above stated.

4th I give to my son Nedham the slaves Wiatt and
Compt. to wit in my son Henry as trustee to
be by him held as trustee for the use and
benefit of my son Nedham so that said
property may not be subject to the payment
of any debts that may have heretofore by any
son Nedham contracted nor to the payment
of any debts that he may hereafter contract
so that my son Nedham may have the use
and benefit of said slaves during his natural
life and at his death to go to his nearest
of kin.

5th I give to my son Bryan two slaves Ben & Abet
and thereby vest the title of said slaves in my
son Henry to be held by him as trustee for

the use of and benefit of said Bryan during
his natural life so that said property may not
be subject to the payment of debts heretofore contracted
or that may be hereafter contracted by said Bryan
in any way and at his death to go to his next
of kin.

6th I give to my son More two slaves Hampton and
Needham.

7th I give to my son Daniel two slaves Keaton, and
Natho, and vest the title of said negroes in my son
Henry Stevens to hold as trustee for the use and
benefit of said Daniel during his natural life and
at his death and at his death to go to those who
are of nearest kin to said Daniel said property to
be held in trust as aforesaid and in no way
to be subjected to the payment of any debts existing
against said Daniel nor to be made liable for
any that may hereafter be by him contracted.

8th I give to my daughter Elizabeth Pipkin four slaves
Boston, Liddy, Mary, and her child, Bantlers, which
are hereby vested in my son Henry Stevens to hold
as trustee for said Elizabeth for her sole and
separate use and benefit and in no way to be
subject to the payment of any debts heretofore
contracted or that may hereafter be contracted by
her husband Steward Pipkin and at her death
to go to her legal heirs.

9th I give to my daughter Mary Thorton the following
slaves Elvira, and Manava, which are hereby vested
in my son Henry Stevens as trustee to hold for
said Mary Thorton for her sole and separate use
and in no way to be subjected to the payment
of any debts heretofore contracted or that may be
hereafter contracted by her husband Wright Thorton
and at her death to go to her legal heirs.

10th I give to my grandson John Nedham Stevens
two slaves Nathan and Gans, which are hereby
vested in my son Henry Stevens as trustee for
said John Nedham for his sole and separate
use and benefit and in no way to be subject
or liable to the payment of any debts heretofore
contracted by his deceased father Edmund Stevens
and if the said John Nedham should die

without issue then the above slaves and their offspring to go to my children and their legal heirs not including thereby the said John Heatham and last mentioned negro to go to my children and be vested in the same way that I have hereby given to each one.

11th I give to my granddaughters Phoeby Ann Stevens two slaves Temperance and Susan, which are hereby vested in my son Henry Stevens as trustee for said Phoeby Ann for her sole and separate use and benefit and in no way to be subject or liable to the payment of any debts heretofore contracted by her deceased father Edwin Stevens and if the said Phoeby Ann should die without issue then the above slaves and their offspring to go to my children and their legal heirs not including the thereby the said Phoeby Ann said negro Temperance and Susan to go as aforesaid to my children and be vested in the same way that I have hereby given to each one.

12th I do ordain and will that all debts owing to me and my perishable property of every kind be reduced to money such as is not now in money and after the payment of all my just debts out of the same the balance including the money that I may die possessed with if I desire and wish to be equally divided amongst my sons Henry John, Mine, Hamish and my grandson John Neigham and my granddaughters Phoeby Ann to have one fifth of the same or a child's part with my sons Henry, John, Mine, and Hamish each share taken divided to go into the hands of all those who have had previously named in this will to be held by them in the same manner and for the same uses and purposes as the other property which is to vest in the trustee aforesaid at my death.

I do ordain will and appoint my sons Henry and John Stevens, the executors of this my last Will and Testament. It is my desire that my executors shall not be required to give bond and security in entering upon the execution of this Will as executors aforesaid. In witness

whereof I do to this will set my hand and seal this 26th day of December 1846. I signed sealed and published in our John Stover Sen. (Seal) presence and we have subscribed our names here in the presence of the testator.

Benj. H. Ligon

George E. Low

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

September Term 1847.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Stevens Sen. Sec. lat of this County was this day produced in open Court and duly read according to law by the oath of Benjamin H. Ligon, George E. Low its subscribing witnesses thereof and it was ordered to be recorded and thereupon Henry Stover and John Stover the Executors therein named came into open court and was qualified as such by taking the oath required by law (it will providing that bond and security should not be required by law of them) and it was ordered that letters testamentary be issued &c. Witness my hand at office this 26th day of September A.D. 1847.

R. H. Winford Clerk

Andrew Shaw's
Will.

In the name of God Amen
I Andrew Shaw of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being frail in body but of sound mind and memory yet knowing that it is appointed to all men to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following.

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

2^d I will to my beloved wife Narcissa my beds and clothing including and all of my house hold and kitchen furniture my bay mare and milk cow and one heifer and also one years provision to be set apart by three

five holders.

3^d I will to my eldest son Robert Lefely my young colt and shot gun and my new saddle and bridle.

4th I will to my second son Milton Daniel my mule and old saddle and bridle and the balance of my property to be sold on six month credit and apply the proceeds of the same to the payment of a debt due Banyon Payne in order to redeem the title of my land and in case there should not be enough, to pay said debt then I will that so much of the west end of my land be sold as may be necessary to discharge all just claims whatever.

5th I will that after the death of my wife the balance of my land descent to my children to be equally divided among them.

6th I will to my wife all my farming utensils and side saddle.

7th I will that Banyon Payne be appointed my lawful executor to execute the above will. I testify whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of Oct - one thousand eight hundred and forty eight.

Witness James W. Crook Jun^r Andrew Shaw (S^r)
James W. Crook's son
W. A. Nelson.

State of Tennessee

Tipton County, about

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Andrew Shaw Dec^d late of this County and which was presented at the last term of this was again produced and the subscribing witnesses Thos^t W. Nelson, Jas^t W. Crook Sr and Jas^t W. Crook Jun^r having been summoned appeared and being first duly sworn proved the due execution of said Will according to law and it was ordered to be recorded. Witness my hand at office this 1st day of December 1848.

R. H. Mumford Clerk

Robert Clark & Co
Will.

I Robert Clark of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee do this day (it being the 18th day of January & in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven) make and set forth this my last Will and Testament of all my effects as follows (to wit) And first I resign my body to the dust from whence it came and my spirit to God who gave it in hope of a blissful immortality. Secondly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Temperance all of my property both real and personal during her natural life or widowhood and in the event of her second marriage she to draw a child's part only.

Thirdly And after the death or second marriage of my wife I give and bequeath unto my daughter Temperance L. Clark Laura Ann a certain negro boy named Simon Bouglair to be valued by disinterested persons at the time of division.

4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Temperance L. Clark a certain negro woman named Nancy under the same conditions and restrictions as the above bequest to my daughter Laura Ann.

5th I give and bequeath unto my two sons John & Alexander R. Clark the tract of land upon which I now live with all the appurtenances & improvement to be valued by disinterested persons at the time of division.

6th I give and bequeath unto my children Pleasant R. Laura Ann and Temperance L. a bed and furniture to each to make them equal to those of my children who are married and have had their share already given to them.

7th I desire that my negro boy Abraham have the liberty to select his master provided he will give him value for him he is to be valued by disinterested persons I desire that in the event of my wife's demise before the youngest daughter married or before she is twenty one that the land and all my negroes undivided for the benefit of Laura Ann & Temperance L. Clark during their

single state or if not married until they become
twenty one years of age.

I desire that all my stock household and kitchen
furniture be sold and the valuation of the above bequests
and the amount that the boy abram shall bring
be divided equally after all my just debts shall
be paid off among the following children (to wit)
John T. Phelps R. Sarah Ann wife of John Smith
Lavinia Ann Temperance. I and to Elizabeth wife of
Morris Billingsworth and to her children after her
lawful offspring of her body and if the property
bequeathed when valued shall make more than
they proportional part of this to whom it was left
then shall each of them pay to those who have not
an equal share proportion so as to make all
equal in point of value.

I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife
Temperance & my son Alexis R. Clark my sole Executor
and to convert this my last Will and Testament into
execution in witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal the day and year above written
Signed sealed & delivered in
presence of

Joshua J. Clark

J. M. Rivers

State of Tennessee
Supton County Court

Robert Clark

Seal

December Term 1848

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the
last Will and Testament of Robert Clark late
of this County was this day produced in open
Court and the execution thereof duly proven by
the oaths of Joshua J. Clark and J. M. Rivers
the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to
be recorded and thereupon A. R. Clark one of the
Executors therein named appearing in open Court
and announcing his intention to qualify as such
Temperance Clark the Executor appointed in said
will with J. T. Clark and A. R. Clark as his sur-
ties appeared in open Court and entered into bond
in the penalty of 3000. and was duly qualified as
executor and it was that letter testamentary be signed
before witnesses my hand at this day

8. December A. D. 1848.

R. H. Munford Clerk

Manuel Cooper's
Will.

The last Will and Testament of
Manuel Cooper of Supton County and State of Tennessee
I Manuel Cooper considering the uncertainty of
this mortal life and being of sound mind and
memory (blessed be Almighty 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 desire that all my debts shall be satisfied out of the
property that I have gathered together. Then I bequeath
to my sister Nancy Smith the sum of one dollar.

Then I bequeath to my brother Levecheas Cooper the
sum of one dollar. Then I give and bequeath to
my sister Henrietta Bullam the sum of one dollar.

Then I give and bequeath to my sister Charlotte
Bullam the sum of one dollar. Then I give and
bequeath to my brother Garrett Cooper the sum
of one dollar. And lastly I give and bequeath
to my beloved wife Malinda Cooper all the remaining
part of my estate goods and chattles of what kind
and nature soever I give and bequeath the same to
my beloved wife Malinda Cooper whom I appoint sole
Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby
revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have here to set my hand and
seal the 5th day of May in the year of our lord one
thousand eight hundred and forty six.

Manuel ^{for} Cooper Seal

The above instrument consisting
of one half sheet was now here subscribed by Manuel
Cooper the Testator in the presence of each of us and
was at the same time declared by him to be his
last Will and Testament and we at his request
affixed our names as attesting witnesses.

Attest Henry ^{his} Turnage

Attest Thomas ^{his} Burdison

Attest James Hilley

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.

April Term 1849.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Mansel Cooper Dec'd late of this County was this day produced in open court and the due execution thereof proven by the oath of Henry Turnage and Thomas Brandon two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and thereupon Malinda Cooper the executrix therein named being in writing declared to qualify as such and desired the appointment of Ruffin Smyth he was accordingly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the said Mansel Cooper &c
Witness my hand at office this 2 day of April 1849

R. H. Munford Clerk

Robert Robertson's
Will.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County.

I know all men by these presents that I Robert Robinson have this day made my last Will and Testament of all property and effects I have consisting of real estate and personal property I want all my of my just debts paid the remainder to be disposed as follows to wit To John Ann. Frobough to have the tract of land I now live on the place that Thos. J. Frobough Dec'd & lying and being in Tipton County Tennessee containing one hundred and seventy three acres all the personal property that I have after my debts are paid except my bed and furniture be given to my little granddaughter Ann Frances.
I want my daughter Margaret Howard to have ten dollars, Zivalda Davis to have ten dollars, Mary Milly to have ten dollars and also my son George to have ten dollars and my son Archibald to have one dollar also Smith Robertson my grand son to have one dollar I want my William Robertson to have one dollar and Mary Jane Madkins

I also want my Saffrona Madkins my grand daughter to have one dollar and Mary Jane Madkins to have one dollar and my son Robert Robertson Jr. to have one dollar.

All the balance of my personal property after the within named debts are paid I want my daughter Julia Ann Frobough to have. The within is just what I want done with my estate after I am dead I appoint John Marly Executor of my will this the twenty seventh of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty ninth

Witness L. W. Frobough.

Jacob Sullivan.

John E. Smith.

Robert Robertson (Seal)

State of Tennessee

Tipton County Court.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Robert Robertson Dec'd late of this County was this day produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oath according to law by the oath of L. W. Frobough and Jacob Sullivan two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.
Witness my hand at office this 3 day of September 1849.

R. H. Munford Clerk

Edward G. Chambers.
Will.

April the 21st day 1845.

In the name of God Amen
I Edward G. Chambers of Tipton County and State of Tennessee being weak and advanced in years but of sound mind have thought proper to make my Will (having known that the time is close at hand when I shall be called from this troublesome world) and I hereby constitute and appoint this instrument of writing my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made.
It is my desire that my beloved wife Anna Chambers shall remain in possession

of all my property real and personal during her natural life for her comfort and support also for her to have all monies, bonds, and accounts I may have on my decease and for her to pay all debts I may owe after the death of my wife I give to my son Madison H. Chambers all my land except eighty acres, the second eighty acres I give to my daughter Blanchy C. Shelton of the South end of the tract I purchased of William Bailey adjoining the land of Thos. P. Shelton to extend all across said tract I bought of said Bailey.

The balance of my property I desire to be divided as follows after the death of my wife I have given to my grand daughter son Edward C. Shelton a negro boy named Jefferson I now give him a negro girl named Charity but they are to remain in possession of my wife during her life. I have also given to my grand son Edward C. Chambers a negro boy named Bob and a negro girl named Betsey both of which to remain in possession of my wife during her life also.

All the balance of my property not named above to be divided between my grand children one half to my son Madison H. Chambers children and the other half to my daughter Blanchy C. Shelton children to make it more plain the children of my son Madison H. Chambers to have one half and the children of my daughter Blanchy C. Shelton the other half of my estate after the death of my wife.

It is my desire that there shall be no sale made of my property after my death except such surplus crop as may not be needed for the use and comfort of my wife and that there shall be no sale made of any of my property in the division of my estate between my grand children as given and bequeathed above.

As my executor I hereby appoint my worthy friends George J. Taylor Esq. Genl. Wm. H. Lemay and Rev. Henry M. Sals, whom I hope will act for me and also as friends to my wife to employ for her a good person and who will be accommodating to her and be humane to the negroes

and I hereby appoint them and request that they will act as commissioners to divide my property after the death of my wife between my grand children as above devised and in the division of the share it is my desire that they be left in families as far as practicable I hope that the friends named above to wit. Geo. J. Taylor Esq. Col. Robert Paine and Rev. Henry M. Sals will grant me this last request signed and acknowledged in the presence of this 21st day of April one thousand

eight hundred and forty five.
Witness W. W. Brooks,
E. J. Wilson,
H. W. Harper.

Edward C. Chambers.

The witnessing in the foregoing Will was done by the Testator in my presence this 30th Nov. 1848.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court.

Geo. J. Taylor.

June Term 1849.

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Edward C. Chambers died late of this County was this day produced in open Court and offered for probate and was duly proven according to law by the oath of W. W. Brooks one of the subscribing witnesses and Joseph P. Barker H. M. Daniel & W. Blank and it was thereupon ordered that said Will be duly recorded (Witness my hand at office this fourth day of June A.D. 1849.)

R. H. Munford Clerk.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

October Term 1849.

The foregoing last Will and Testament of Edward C. Chambers deceased which was at the last June term of this Court proved by one of the subscribing witnesses thereto was this day again produced in open Court and the due execution thereof proven according to law by the oath of E. J. Wilson another of the subscribing witnesses thereto who also in connection with H. B. Tucker deposed and says after being first duly sworn that the same W. W. Harper signed to said Will as a subscribing witness in the genuine

signature of the said W. W. Harper, the same having been subscribed in presence of the said E. J. Wilson (Witness my hand at office this first day of October A.D. 1849.

R. H. Munford Clerk

Gracy Smith's
Will.

I Gracy Smith of Tipton County Tennessee do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other Wills by me at any time made being in sound disposing mind and memory do proceed to make and give this my last Will and Testament for the management and distribution of my estate both real and personal in possession or action devised or remainder in manner and form following to wit.

1st I give and bequeath the tract of land I now live on, containing eighty acres more or less the same land I bought from John E. Walker and all the land I possess to my son and daughter, Eliza Smith and Harriet Smith to be equally divided between them and share alike I also give to said son Eliza Smith the present crop on said land all the hogs I possess and all the farming utensils and implements of every description one large chest and one heifer called the Jones Heifer.

2^d I also give and bequeath to my daughter Harriet all my household and kitchen furniture except three beds and a wooden wheel all my poultry of every kind all my cloaths clothes linen and gearings and every article belonging to my house and garden and a white heifer three years old known as the red and white heifer.

3^d I give and bequeath to my son Peter Smith one bed and furniture.

4th I give and bequeath to my son Alfred Smith one bed and furniture.

5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Sobey Simon one bed and furniture & wooden wheel.

6th I give and bequeath to John P. Watson & wife one dollar.

7th I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Smith's child one dollar.

8th all the balance of my property of every kind not herein specified I give and bequeath to my son and daughter Eliza and Harriet Smith to be divided equally between them.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal to this my last Will and Testament this December 3^d 1848.

W. C. Howard
Test Samuel Cooper
State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

Gracy Smith (Said)

November Term 1849.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Gracy Smith late of this County was this day produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly proven according to law by the oath of W. C. Howard and Samuel Cooper the subscribing witnesses thereto and was accordingly ordered to be certified and recorded.

Witness my hand at office this fifth day of November A.D. 1849.

R. H. Munford Clerk

Mary H. Plator's
Will.

In the name of God Amen
I Mary H. Plator of the County of Tipton State of Tennessee do hereby declare this to be my last Will and Testament I give and bequeath to my nephew Alexander Symmeson Johnston eldest son of my brother Philip W. Plator and my adopted son my negro woman named Berolinda and her children a woman named Ellen but called Jacob a yellow man named William my interest in the land which belongs to my brother John and lying in the County of Tipton and the sum of \$3000 (Three Thousand) I give and bequeath to

my nephew Philip William Alston Alston infant & youngest son of my brother Phyllis M. Alston Two thousand dollars (\$2000) This also mentioned property to remain in the hands of my brother James G. Alston in trust for them my nephews the increase of each child's portion to be used for its support and education as may be necessary the principle of each to be paid over as they come to the age of twenty one years should either one die his brother (I mean his father's son) shall without import from his brother should both die before the age of twenty one the said property to return to my family.

I give and bequeath to my brother James G. Alston the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1200) This is my will and testament written this fifteenth day of April in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty eight.

Witness E. G. Fisher
J. W. Woodruff
Jan. 5. 1850

Mary H. Alston

State of Tennessee

Sipton County Court & October Term 1850

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Mary H. Alston late of this County was produced in open Court and thereupon appeared E. G. Fisher, Buffin Sanford and Hugh T. Rose good and creditable witnesses who being first duly sworn depose and say that they are well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Mary H. Alston and that they truly believe the signatures and every part of said instrument to be the genuine hand writing of the said Mary H. Alston and the same was thereupon ordered to be recorded as her last Will and Testament.

Witness my hand at office this 7th day of October A.D. 1850

R. H. Mumford Clerk

PEO/A SEE Will Book A-1
Polla Howard's Will

Knowing it is appointed unto man once to die I Polla Howard being in sound mind and memory do make this my only and last Will

Item 1st My will is after all my just debts are paid that all my property both real and personal valued at cash prices by three disinterested men.

Item 2nd My will is that my wife Mary Caroline shall have an equal portion in a child's part out of the valuation to be paid over to her by my Executors in two equal payments in one and two years from the time of valuation bearing interest from the date of valuation My will is that my Executors shall keep all of my property to gather and cultivate and carry on the farm and brand my wife free of any charge and keep my estate together until the youngest child shall come to the age of twenty one if any in case any of the children should die before they come of age then my will is that it shall go to the balance of the children.

Item 3rd Having full confidence in my Executors I hereby empower him to dispose of any one of the negro or any other piece of property as he may think proper. I appoint my friend Jesse S. Cochran my Executor without his having to give security I also appoint and request that he shall act as guardian for my children without giving security.

Item 4th In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 31st day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

Test. L. Haysnis.

E. H. Howard

Polla Howard (Scrib.)

State of Tennessee

Sipton County Court

& October Term 1850

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Polla Howard late of this County was produced in open Court and the due execution thereof proven by the oaths of E. H. Howard and Lewis Haysnis the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded

and thereupon Jesse S. Bethran the Executor therein named appeared in open court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$3000. conditioned according to law said Will providing that no security should be required of said Executor and was duly qualified as Ex^r by taking the oath prescribed by law and it was ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him.

Witness my hand at office this 7th day of October 1850.

R. H. Munford Clerk

William M. Braws
Will.

Corvington February 10th 1851

On this day being Sunday about the hour of 4 o'clock P.M. William M. Braw being very low in health and under the apprehension of immediate death at the house of Isaac R. Blodson (the same being his boarding house) requested the undersigned to bear witness that he wished his property to be equally divided between his brother James and his sister Belena after the payment of his debts.

and that the said Isaac R. Blodson attend to the settling of his estate business and the carrying into effect his said wish.

We believe the said William M. Braw was in his right mind at the time of making this request and in every respect competent to make a will.

Witness our hands this 17th day of February 1851.

J. R. Beders.

Elizabeth Menefee
Elizabeth Houghton

State of Tennessee
Fulton County Court.

The above paper writing signed by J. R. Beders Ed. Houghton & Eliz. Menefee purporting to be the Noncapative Will of William M. Braw deceased was this day produced in open Court and duly proven by the said Eliz. Menefee according to law and laid over on

continued for further probate.
Witness my hand at office this 3^d day of March 1851.

State of Tennessee
Fulton County Court.

R. H. Munford Clerk

The within paper writing purporting to be the Noncapative Will of William M. Braw deceased late of this County which was presented at the last term of this Court and proven by one of the witnesses was again produced in open Court and fully proven by the oaths of Elizabeth Houghton another of the witnesses in whose presence the same was made and ordered to be recorded and thereupon J. R. Blodson the Executor therein named or who was requested by the deceased to take charge of and manage the estate came into open Court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$3000. conditioned according to law with R. H. Munford and R. H. Munford as his securities and was duly qualified as Executor by taking the oath required by law and it is ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him.

Witness my hand at office this 7th day of April 1851.

R. H. Munford Clerk

John Farnor
Will.

I John Farnor of the County of Fulton and State of Tennessee being of advanced age and infirm health but of sound mind and memory do make ordain and publish this my last Will and Testament by me at any time made. It is my wish and desire that as soon as practicable after my death my Executor herein after named and appointed proceed to pay off all my just debts and funeral expenses out of any money that I may have on hand or from the proceeds of the sale of such of my property as he may think best to dispose of including any of my slaves not hereafter specially bequeathed should it be necessary to sell any for that purpose.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Farnor for and during her natural life the whole

of my estate tract of land on which I now reside containing three hundred and twenty five acres and the following named personal property to wit My negroes Mary, Minnie aged about 50 years woman Sallie about 20 years old and her children Frederick, Arnold, Henderson, Richmond, Jackson, Foster, and Alexander, and a girl named aged abt 12 years ~~at~~ and also all of my household and kitchen furniture of every description.

All of the stock of horses and Mules cattle and hogs and farming utensils of every description that may be on hand at the time of my death unless it such surplus as may not be needed by my wife to keep up the farm and provide for her and such of the children as may be or remain with her a decent and comfort support should there be any such surplus. My Executor to have power and authority to sell the same it is also my wish that my said wife shall have a sufficiency of provision for one years support after my death all the property above named and bequeathed to my said wife and any increase there may be of the same I wish at her death to be equally divided amongst all of my children then living or the legal offspring of such - then as may be dead share and share alike.

Having already at this time of their marriage given to each of my daughters Mary Ann Bulbreath, Tabitha H. Chancy, Elanora B. Portland Ann Miller and Patsy P. Benson a negro considered of equal value and worth is estimated by me at five hundred dollars. I now give and bequeath to my daughter Susan H. my negro boy Gilbert who it is considered will by the time she is grown be of equal value to those I have given to my other daughters. Should said boy Gilbert die before my said daughter Susan H. Marries or become of age then and in that case it is my wish that she is to have a negro of equal value out of those I have given to my wife to be selected and agreed upon by my said wife and Executor.

Having heretofore given to each of my eldest sons

Jordan C. Thomas Jr. and James H. as they become of age a horse bridle and saddle worth one hundred dollars it is now my wish and I do so desire that my youngest son John I shall have one of equal value when he becomes of age as at such time as my Executor thinks he may need it and if my said son John I. will go to school it is my wish that my Executor shall make provisions for him to do so for one year.

I do further give and bequeath to each of my four sons above named the sum of four hundred dollars or property to that value to make what I have given them equal to what my daughters have received. After the payment of my debts and satisfaction of the above named legacies I wish all the remainder of my property not heretofore bequeathed to be equally divided between all of my children then living or their legal heirs if such of them as may be dead share and share alike and making said division it is my wish that none of the negroes shall be sold if it can be avoided but valued by disinterested persons and for such of the children as prefer it to take the negroes at such valuation and pay to the others their share in money or a sufficiency to make all equal.

Should it so happen that after the payment of my debts there is no a sufficiency of money or property left to make up to each of my sons the said amount of four hundred dollars then and in that case it is my wish that they shall receive that sum deficiency thereof after the death of my wife out of the property left by her and then the balance of said property to be equally distributed to all of the children as herein before provided it being my wish and intention that they shall all share equally in my estate.

Should I live but a short time it is my wish that the property be kept together and crop made under the direction of my son J. C. Farrar this year as agreed upon between us.

I do hereby appoint my son Jordan C. Farrar Executor to this my last Will and Testament and it is my wish that upon being qualified

and entering upon the execution of the same he shall not be required by the court to give security to his bond for the faithful execution of the trust and confidence hereby reposed in him.

I witness testimony of which I do hereby set my hand & seal this fourth day of March A.D. 1851.

Signed sealed and acknowledged,
in our presence, the day & date above

Named

R. H. Munford.

G. B. Low,

John Sharp.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

April Term 1851.

The within paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Harris dec'd. late of this County was this day produced in open Court and duly proven according to law by the of George & Low and John Sharp two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and thereupon Jorden C. Harris the Executor therein named came into open Court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the present penalty of \$5000 conditioned according to law (said Will providing that no security shall be required of him) and was duly qualified as Executor by taking the oath required by law and it is ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him. Witness my hand at office this 14th day of April A.D. 1851.

R. H. Munford Clk.

John G. Smith's
Will.

Memphis Shelby County Tennessee

January 17, 1850

I John G. Smith of the County of Tipton State of Tennessee being on the eve of my departure for Nashville and from thence to Granville Ga. State of North Carolina feel a desire to make a Will and do in this manner dispose of all my Estate Real and Personal and pecuniary

I nominate and appoint Steven W. Malone of the County of Tipton State of Tennessee my Executor of this my last Will and Testament & wish him to take possession of all my effects and pay all my just debts out of said means first the present years crop of Cotton and all moneys due me and which may become due to me.

I wish him to sell to the highest bidder all my lands in the County of Weakly State of Tennessee on a credit of six months & one year and appropriate the money when collected to the payment of my debts.

I wish him the said Stephen W. Malone to have my tract of land in the County of Tipton State of Tennessee divided by extending a line North from the north West corner of the fifty acre tract purchased by me from Vincent, thence to the north boundary of the tract purchased by me from my brother Samuel W. Smith and all of my land lying West of said division line to must sell to the highest bidder on a credit of six months and one year. The purchase money when collected must be appropriated to the payment of my debts should any debts remain unpaid I wish him the said Stephen W. Malone to use his discretion in the use of or disposal of my property or money to pay the balance after my debts shall have all been paid and the sum of one thousand dollars paid to him for his services as Executor.

I give and bequeath to my Nephew Charles E. Smith all the residue of my estate also all of my personal property except three slaves by name Mack George & Isaac.

Mack I bequeath to my niece Mary E. Brown of Georgia George & Isaac I will and bequeath to my niece Oceana F. Smith and to her child or children if she has no children said slave shall revert to the child or children descendants of my niece Mary E. Brown or Charles Smith and his heirs forever. Should the said Charles E. Smith die without heirs of said bequests to him shall revert back to my two nieces Mary E. Brown and Oceana F. Smith and their descendants forever this my last will and testament written in my hand.