

Albert M. J. J. J.
Wall

I, Albert M. J. J. J. of Robertson
County, Tennessee being at this time in
feeble health but of sound disposing mind mem-
ory and understanding believing that it would
be conducive to the comfort and interest of my
beloved wife & children in case of my death for
me to make other or different disposition of my
realty and estate than that made by the laws
of the State for the distribution of Estates I do
therefore make, ordain & publish this my only &
last Will & Testament.

In the first I wish & desire & do hereby direct
that my executors hereinafter named shall pay off
all my just debts as soon after my death
as practicable out of such monies as may first
come into their hands and to raise money for that
purpose I give them full power and authority
without any order or decree of Court to sell to the
highest bidder for cash my negro slaves Betsey
& her child Eudora & little Anthony and many of
said slaves as may be necessary for that purpose
and to give good and sufficient bill to the pur-
chaser for such of said slaves as may be sold.
In the second place after the payment of the payment
of my debts it is my wish & desire & do advise
that my beloved wife Mary shall have the use of
all my property & Estate of every kind & description for
& during her natural life or widowhood for the purpose
of affording her the means of support for herself
& the family and the raising & education of
our children and wish her after my death to
take charge of the same & go on with the farming
operations and other business as if I had been
living. In the management of the property should
my said wife think it would be to the interest of
herself and the children to sell or dispose of the
place on which we are now living or any real
estate which we may own including my lands
in the State of Louisiana and invest the
proceeds of such sale in other real estate if
she may deem to be more suitable as a home

for herself and the children then and in that case
she has full power and authority to do so, and also
to sell any of the slave that may not suit her and
buy others or exchange them for such as may.

It is further my wish and desire that as the
children severally become of age or marry that
my wife give off to them such portion or share of
the property as she may be able to spare.

Making Thomas near equal in what they receive
as possible retaining any ample sufficiency for
the support of herself and the education & support of
the balance of the children. In the case of the marriage
of my said wife she is to have absolutely to her and
her heirs for ever five such of my slaves
as she may make choice of also one third of all
the stock of every kind and farming tools or
implements and such Dower interest in my real
or real estate as is given by the laws of the
State and all of the balance of the property of
any kind and description should she marry or at
her death without marrying again I wish to be
equally divided between all of my children as
the lawful offspring of such as may be born
taking into estate what they may have previously
received. I have already given to my daughter
Elizabeth & her husband John W. Harris six tracts of
land on which they now reside for a short time
in this County being all of the portion of a 640
acre tract known as Section 4 bought by one of
the Union Bank of Tennessee which has not
been sold & heretofore conveyed by me to other
persons the portion given to my said daughter &
husband contains about 225 acres and lies in
the North West Corner of said 640 acres and if
I should not make them a deed for said land
in my lifetime then I hereby direct my Executors
to do so I have also given to my said daughter
a negro woman Julia & her child and after other
property including the land above named which I
valued at the time of giving the same at three
thousand dollars.
I have sold to the Baptist Church of this place &
vicinity a lot of half an acre of land in the

corner of the road & purchased by one of J. M. Blanton
lying north of the road & opposite to E. H. Smith's for
which said half acre lot, said church is to pay one
fifty dollars and also at the same sale for that
part of my land lying on the road south of said
lot and I also direct my Executors to make to
said church a deed for said land upon the
payment of the purchase money if I should
not do so.

I do hereby appoint my wife and my friends
Isaac R. Blanton, & Richard N. Munford Executors
of this my last Will and Testament and in
giving bond for the Execution of the same.

I do not wish the Court to require any security
of them on said bond, In witness whereof I do
hereby subscribe my name and affix my seal
this Eleventh day of June Eighteen hundred &
fifty six.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in our presence
the day & year above written
Albert M. Green. (Seal)

L. J. Slaughter
Lafayette, Miss.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court

January Term 1857.

The above paper writing purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of Albert M. Green late
of this County was this day produced in
open Court and the execution thereof duly proven
by L. J. Slaughter & Lafayette Hill subscribing
witnesses thereto and thereupon Isaac R. Blanton
& Richard N. Munford two of the Executors named
therein appeared in open Court and entered into
bond for the faithful Execution thereof conditioned
according to law and the requirements of said
Will providing that no security should be required
of them.

Witness my hand at office the 10th day of Jan'y 1857.

John J. Douglass Clerk

Francis M. Green
Will

I Francis M. Green of
Tipton County Tennessee do make and publish
this as my last Will and Testament

1st I wish that my business of every description
be closed up as soon as practicable and that
my debts be paid as soon as possible.

2^d I give and bequeath to my wife Mary A. Green
all of my property of every description both real and
personal my said real estate consists of seven
hundred & fifty six acres of land Tipton County
Tennas which I inherited from my Father's estate.
also my late residence in Lexington compris-
ing on the plan of said town lots 40th 41st 42nd 43rd
and fifty two feet off of the east end of lot 43
I do hereby nominate and appoint John A. Green
Executor of this my last Will.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th day of February
1857.

(Witness)

Henry Sanford,
Charles G. Field,

State of Tennessee

Tipton County Court.

April Term 1857.

John A. Green this day produced in open
Court the foregoing paper writing purporting to be
the last Will and Testament of Francis M.
Green Dec^d last of this County & offered the same
for probate as the said last Will and Testament
which was accordingly done by the oath of Henry
Sanford and Charles G. Field subscribing
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and
thereupon appeared in open Court the said John A.
Green the Executor therein named appeared with
Henry Sanford & M. A. Green for security and
signed sealed and acknowledged a bond
in the penalty of fifteen hundred dollars
which bond was approved by the Court &
ordered to be recorded and the said John A.
Green was duly qualified by taking the oath
prescribed by law.

Witness my hand at office the 4th day
of April 1857, John T. Douglas Clk.

Thomas Ralph's Will.

In the name of God amen
I Thomas Ralph son of the County of Tipton
and State of Tennessee being in health
and in sound mind and memory and
considering the uncertainty of life do make
and publish and make my last Will and
Testament in the manner and form following
I wit first I give and bequeath unto my
beloved wife Francis Ralph my land house
hold and perishable property during her natural
life or widow hood and after her death or marriage
then in either case I wish my land house hold
and perishable property to be sold and divided
thus two thirds of the proceeds of the sale of the property
mentioned above to be equally divided between
my youngest children to wit. Corntell Bethell
Ralph Eliza Jane Ralph Thomas Calvin Ralph
& Francis Ralph, and America Jane Ralph
and the other third to be divided between my
seven oldest children to wit Dicy Trobough
Anderson Ralph, Hiram Ralph Rebecca
Pusey, Elizabeth Allen and Polly Buxton
having heretofore given my wife's children their
portion to wit Henry Miller & Thos. Elizabeth
Malley & cow and calf & bed and furniture
Except andersons Malley who is to receive one
cow and calf and one bedstead and furniture
Lastly I appoint my wife Francis Ralph and
Anderson Ralph Executors and Executors of
this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking
all former Wills by me made In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
the 10th day of September 1846.

Wm B. Hazen

R. J. Mitchell

For Probate see Minutes Book E Page 452.

April Term 1857.

Thos. Ralph son

Henry Bailey's Will.

In the name of the Lord Amen
I the last Will and Testament of Henry Bailey
of Tipton County Tennessee.

I Henry Bailey considering the uncertainty of
human life being of sound mind do make this
my last Will and Testament (viz)

Item 1st It is my will and desire that all my property be
converted into money except my tract of land lying
in Tipton County Tennessee and that my final
debts be paid.

Item 2^d It is my will and desire that my daughter
Abetha W. Wright have annually the interest of one sixth
part of my estate during life & at her death for the
principal to go to her son W. H. Whetlow if alive if
dead to come back to the estate to be divided as I shall
direct in the following items.

Item 3^d It is my will and desire that my daughter Susan
T. Wiley have annually the interest of one sixth part
of my estate during life and at her death that my
daughter Rebecca T. Monty have the principal of one
sixth of my estate during life and at her death that it be sold and the money
therefrom be divided as directed in reference to
the other part of my estate.

Item 4th It is my will and desire that my son W. H. Bailey
have annually the interest of one sixth part of my estate
during life and at his death the principal to be divided
between his bodily heirs.

Item 5th It is my will and desire that the bodily heirs of my
daughter Tabitha H. Weatherford Dece Tison B. Weatherford
Edward H. James, Irab & Thomas Weatherford have one
sixth part of my estate to be divided equally between
them except the youngest Thomas I wish him to have
fifty dollars more than the rest. This fifty dollars
to be taken out of the sixth part appportioned to them
in the item first.

Item 6th It is my will and desire that my friend William J.
Grady have one sixth part of my estate in trust that
my son B. B. Bailey may annually receive from him
the interest arising therefrom for the benefit of himself

wife and children during his life time and at his death his wife Nancy N. Bailey receive the interest during life or widowhood and that at her death or marriage the principal be divided equally between his bodily heirs.

Item 7th It is my will and desire that my friend W^m D. Good have one fifth part of my estate in trust that my son James L. Bailey may receive annually the interest arising therefrom for the benefit of himself wife & children during life and at his death Sarah Bailey his wife draw the interest or the benefit of herself & her bodily heirs during her life or widowhood that at her marriage or death the principal be equally divided between his bodily heirs. I also let my son James L. Bailey have Seventy five dollars &c which I wish deducted from his part - & apportioned in the 7th Item.

March 26th 1846

Test. Henry Bailey (Seal)

W^m D. Good,
W. D. Culbreath,
J. A. Good,

State of Tennessee,
Septon County Court.

August Term 1847.

The above paper writing was this day produced in open Court proven and duly admitted to probate See Minute Book E. Page 503.

Witness John J. Douglas Clerk.

Agnes Draffin & C^o Stat of Tennessee
Dipton County.

I Agnes Draffin do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking & making void all other wills by me at any time made. I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may be possessed of or may come into the hands of my Executor.

Item First

Item Secondly

I give to and bequeath to my son William Madison Massey Draffin a part or parcel of said land & now lies on. Containing twenty five acres & one fourth of an acre bounded by lands of James Wright, John Garbo & John Bernard & others lying in No. 8th District.

Thirdly

I give and bequeath all the personal property I am possessed of to my three sons William Madison Massey Draffin Robert Harvey Draffin & John Higgins Draffin and they may either divide it to suit themselves or if they cannot divide it and they sell it to the highest bidder at public sale.

Fourthly

& Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Joseph Baird my Executor. In Witness whereof I & the my well set my hand and seal this 15th day of September Eighteen hundred & fifty seven.

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator at the date above.

Agnes Draffin

Witness
John Garbo
John Higgins

State of Tennessee,
Dipton County Court.

Oct Term 1847.

The above paper writing was this day duly admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded.

See Minute Book E. Page 522.

Witness

John J. Douglas Clerk.

Louis Haynes & Co.
Will.

I, Louis Haynes of Tipton County
State of Tennessee being of sound disposing mind
memory and understanding but at the same time
knowing the uncertainty of human life and believing
that I can add to the comfort and greatly promote
the interest of my wife & children by making a different
disposition of my estate from that regulated by the laws
of the land do therefore make ordain and publish this
my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and
making void any and all Wills heretofore by me
made. It is first my wish and desire and I do
so direct that as soon as practicable after my death
my Executors herein after named pay off and discharge
all my just and legal debts and liabilities
out of any moneys that may first come into the
their hands or possession belonging to my Estate
In the second place I give and bequeath unto
my beloved wife Elizabeth for and during her
natural life or widowhood the use and occupancy of
one hundred and seventy five acres of the tract
of land on which I now reside to be laid off and
bounded as follows that is to take and include
all of the tract lying on the South side of the
Big Covington and Somerswell road.

Then beginning in the center of the road South of
a large plum tree standing in the fence row
on the North side of the road about three hundred
yards West of the dwelling house and to run
sufficiently far North thence East to the East boundary
line of my tract so as to contain including that
portion lying South of the road the said 175 acres.

I also give to my said wife during her life
or widowhood the use of all my negro slaves and
their increase except my man David & woman
Marrianna & Hannah also five head of horses or
mules such as she may chose ten head of choice
head of cows and calves twenty head of sheep my
entire stock of hogs all the crop and provision
that may be on hand except the Cotton all
household and kitchen furniture farming
tools my wagon gear and buggy.

At the death of my said wife or in case she
should marry again I wish that the land
to land described to be sold by my Executors
at public sale on a credit of one two and three
years and security and a lien to be retained
on the land and the proceeds of such sale
together with all the slaves including Daniel
Marrianna & Hannah and their increase and all the
other property the use of which I have given to my
said wife I wish to be equally divided amongst
all of my children that may be living at the time
of said division or the truly offsprings of any of them
that may be dead to receive the property that would
have gone to the parent if living share and share alike.
Provision first herein to be made by my Executors
before said division for such of my younger children
as may not have completed their education so as to
receive at least as good Education as any of the
older ones have had.

At the close of the year in which I may die or
somer if suitable I wish all my land over
about 174 acres except that portion hereinbefore
described and laid off to my wife to be sold at
public sale by my Executors on a credit of one two
and three years who are hereby clothed with
full power and authority to sell and convey
as herein before stated all of my land without
first obtaining any order or decree from of Court
authorizing them so to do.

I also wish and direct the negroes Daniel Marrianna
& Hannah hereinbefore named to be hired out yearly
by my Executors and all the surplus stock after
my wives portion is taken out to be sold by my
Executors in the usual way and out of the proceeds
of said sale & hire of Negroes.

I give and bequeath to each of my children and
direct my Executors to pay to them severally as
they arrive at the age of twenty one years of age
the sum of three hundred dollars first giving out
of said part to my son E. R. Seventy five dollars
and to each of the other children younger than he
the sum of one hundred and thirty five dollars
on a horse saddle and bridle with the amount to

make them equal with my two other ones
George W. & John L. to whom I have given these
articles. It being my wish and desire that such
of my said children shall share equally of my
entire estate should it so happen that there is at
any time a surplus of money in the hands
of Executors not needed to pay to the children the
amount given therein then I wish my Executors
to put it out at interest until it may be needed
for that purpose.

I do hereby appoint my friends Jesse L. Cotton
& Richard H. Mumford Executors of this my last
said Will. (Interlined in three places before signed)

In witness of which I do hereto subscribe
my name or make my mark, not being able to
write from a disability in my hand and affix
my seal this Eleventh day of July Eighteen Hundred
and fifty six.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
in our presence by the testator Lewis Wayne
the day and year above written and at
his request we witness the same.

Samuel S. Morgan,
J. M. Cooper,
State of Tennessee
Tipton County County.

November Term. 1857.
The foregoing paper writing was this day
duly admitted to probate and ordered to be
recorded.

See Minute Book E. Page 531.
Qualification 539.

John T. Douglas Clerk.

Witness.

Thomas D. Kilpatrick
Will.

I, Thomas D. Kilpatrick of
Tipton County, State of Tennessee being of sound
disposing mind memory and understanding but
at this time in feeble health, in view of the great
uncertainty of my human existence and believ-
ing that I can add to the comfort and greatly
benefit my family by making by making provisions
for the disposition of my worldly estate before my death
do therefore make, make, make and publish this as my last
Will and Testament.

In the first place I direct that my Executors herein
after named and appointed as soon after my death
as practicable pay my funeral expenses and
all of my just debts out of any moneys that may
first come into my hands and to furnish him
with the means necessary for that purpose. Should
I die in any short time I wish my present crops of
Cotton to be prepared for market as soon as it can
conveniently be done and my said Executor to take
or send it to Memphis and dispose of it for cash
to the best advantage that market will justify.

I also wish him to sell in such manner as he
may think best for the same purpose four of my
Polk hogs one large red steer and my black and
white bull and apply a sufficiency of the proceeds
of said property to the payment of my debts and
funeral expenses as before stated.

I give and bequeath to my son John W. Kilpatrick
to him his heirs and assigns forever one hundred
acres of land on which I am now living in Tipton
County of Tennessee to be laid off for him in the
East side so as to include what is known
as the Tyne tract of eighty five acres and fifty
acres more to be adjoining on the West side and
extending from North to South the entire length
of said 85 acre Tyne tract was to make up the
said one hundred acres also to be delivered to him
when he became of age or married my negro boy
named Charles aged about eighteen years a good
size build & saddle and feathered bedstead and
the common necessary bed clothing or furniture.

make them equal with my two older ones
George W. & John L. to whom I have given these
articles. It being my wish and desire that such
of my said children shall share equally of my
entire estate should it so happen that there is at
any time a surplus of money in the hands
of Executors not needed to pay to the children the
amount given them, then I wish my Executors
to put it out at interest until it may be needed
for that purpose.

I do hereby appoint my friends Jesse L. Colbran
& Richard H. Mumford Executors of this my last
said Will. (Interlined in three places before signed)

In witness of which I do hereto subscribe
my name or make my mark not being able to
write from a disability in my hand and affix
my seal this Eleventh day of July Eighteen Hundred
and fifty six.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
in our presence by the testator Lewis Haynes
the day and year above written and at
his request we witness the same.

Sam'l S. Morgan,

J. M. Cooper,

State of Tennessee

Tipton County, Tenn.

November Term 1857

The foregoing paper writing was this day
duly admitted to probate and ordered to be
recorded.

See Minutes Book E. Page 534.

Qualification 539.

John T. Douglas Clerk.

Witness

Thomas D. Sulphatrick
Will.

I, Thomas D. Sulphatrick of
Tipton County State of Tennessee being of sound
disposing mind memory and understanding that
at this time in feeble health in view of the great
uncertainty of my human existence and believ-
ing that I can add to the comfort and greatly
benefit my family by (making) by making provisions
for the disposition of my worldly estate before my death
do therefore make solemn and publish this as my last
Will and Testament.

1st In the first place I direct that my Executors herein
after named and appointed as soon after my death
as practicable pay my funeral expenses and
all of my just debts out of any money that may
first come into their hands and to furnish them
with the means necessary for that purpose should
I die in any short time I wish my present crops of
Cotton to be prepared for market as soon as it can
conveniently be done and my said Executors to sell
or send it to Memphis and dispose of it for cash
to the best advantage that market will justify.
I also wish him to sell in such manner as he
may think best for the same purpose four of my
Polk hogs one large bay steer and my black and
white bull and apply a sufficiency of the proceeds
of said property to the payment of my debts and
funeral expenses as before stated.

2^d I give and bequeath to my son John M. Sulphatrick
to him his heirs and assigns forever one hundred
acres of land on which I am now living in
County of Tipton to be laid off for him in the
East side as as to include what is known
as the Tyre tract of eighty five acres and fifty
acres more to be adjoining on the West side and
extending from North to South the entire length
of said 85 acre Tyre tract was to make up the
said one hundred acres also to be delivered to him
when he becomes of age or marries my negro boy
named Charles aged about eighteen years a good
sized bridle & saddle and feathered bedstead and
the common necessary bed clothing or furniture

And I am very desirous that my said son should remain with his mother and assist her in the farming operations and management of her business as long as he may find it agreeable to do so. To my daughter Martha J. Kilpatrick I give & bequeath my negro woman named Lucretia aged about eighteen years and her increase a feather bed bedstead and the usual furniture to be delivered to her when she becomes of age or married & also give her the gold watch she wears and my silver mare named Durr but the colt should not may raise one next Spring not to belong to my said daughter.

I direct that my negro man Simon shall be hired out yearly by my executors until my daughter Margaret Jane Kilpatrick becomes of age or marries. As soon as practicable after which I wish and direct that the said Simon be sold by my Executors to the highest bidder for cash and out of the proceeds of said sale and sale to purchase and deliver to my said daughter Margaret a likely negro negro girl or woman about eighteen years of age and in case the said negro Simon should be before said sale I wish my Executors to raise a sufficiency of means from such other part or portion of my estate as they may think best for the purchase of a woman or girl for my said daughter.

I also give and bequeath to my said daughter Margaret Jane the cravat and a good horse bridle & saddle and a feather bed bedstead and the usual bed furniture to be furnished her when she becomes of age or married.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rosa Maria my negro boy named Sam aged about ten years also my buggy and pair of silver mules named Mark & Pete together with all the provisions stock of every kind house hold and kitchen furniture farming tools money property and effects of every kind and description not herein otherwise disposed of to her & her heirs forever. I also give and bequeath to my said wife for and during her natural life the use of all the balance of my tract of land being about one hundred and fifty acres after

taking off the part I have given to my son John W. Also the use of my negroes Rachel, Mary, Amanda & Len for & during her life and all their increase and at the death of my said wife I wish and direct that the land be equally divided in value & quantity & quality between my son John W. & two daughters Martha J. & Margaret J. if all living or the legal off-
-spring of such of them as may be dead, and in making said division if the girls are unmarried I wish my son John W. to get the dwelling house in his portion but should either or both of my said daughters be unmarried and desire it I wish them to have the dwelling so as to give and enshrine there a house and comfortable home in which to live, and further in dividing the land I wish the land lines to run North and South across the entire tract so as to give to each a portion or division wood and cleared land and water. I further wish and direct at the death of my said wife that my son John W. is to have the boy Len of the said negro should be living at his cash valuation and that each of my daughters shall also share of property if there is a sufficiency to make them equal to the value of said boy Len.

And should there be any excess or surplus of said slaves their increase or other property or effects in hand at the death of my said wife I wish said excess to be equally divided between my said three said children or the legal offspring or children of either or any of them that may be dead, to receive the portion that the parent would be entitled to if living and should either or both of my said daughters Mary and at their death leave the child or children. I wish the negroes that I have given or made provisions to give to my said daughter and all the increase of said slaves to belong to and go to the respective children of my said daughter and lastly I do hereby appoint my friend and brother in law Geo. Patton Coulton Miller Esq. Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

The word heirs erased in the 2nd line of the 2nd article the word not interlined in the eleventh line of the fifth page and the words or either of them erased in the seventh line of the 6th page before signing.

In witness of which I do, hereby set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of October eighteen hundred and fifty seven

J. D. Kilpatrick Seal

Signed sealed and acknowledged by the Testator in our presence the day and year last above written and we do witness the same at this request in the presence of himself and each other.

A. Smith.
Henry Smith.
R. H. Munford.

State of Tennessee.
Tipton County Court.

Nov 7 - Term 1857.

The above paper writing was this day duly admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded.

Witness,

John J. Douglas Clerk.

For probate see Minute Book
Page 331. 1857.

Wm. Walker's

Noncupative Will.

Wm. L. Walker & John B. Walker.

State that William Walker on Monday the 12th day of October 1857 called upon them to bear witness that he desired Mr. John W. Walker and Charles Walker to have one hundred bushels of corn and a bale of cotton to pay a debt for negro hire that they were bound for and if that was not enough they were to take the balance out of a bill more owing by him. He also said that he desired Charles Walker to administer on his estate this occurred at the residence of Wm. Walker during his last sickness and the said William Walker died on the 16th of October 1857 said William Walker expressed himself as confident that he would not recover from this then sickness and called upon us to bear witness to the above.

John B. Walker.
Wm. L. Walker.

State of Tennessee.

Tipton County Court.

November Term 1857.

The above paper writing was this day duly admitted to probate as the Noncupative Will of Wm. Walker late of Tipton County and ordered to be recorded for Probate see Minute Book & page 334.

Witness

John J. Douglas Clerk.

Henry More
Will.

In the name of God Amen.

I Henry More of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament that is to say.

First after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my estate valued personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follows (to wit) first I give to my beloved wife Martha Jane my negro girl Laura, to be forever at her disposal also my day mare buggy and harness and all the crops and all the stock on the place. I now reside and all the house hold and kitchen furnitures waggon and all the farming tools on the place and as for the one hundred and eighty nine acres of land bought of this place give my wife & two sons the privilege of buying and holding the same at what I gave for it with interest on the same from my purchase, and if they take it the proceeds go to John A. & Saml. D. as they see pay for it as hereafter provided if they do not take it the land to be John A. & Saml. D. Next I give to my son James Walker my negro boy Alfred and the land known as my wife's dower one hundred and fifty acres at his mother's death. Next I give to my daughter Mary J. Brown and to her children fifty acres of land off my tract of land known as the land I bought of J. Strange taken off so as to make them a good home.

I give my son John A. my negro boy Jim I give my son Saml. D. my negro Alexander I give my daughter Margaret and her children my negro boy Nelson. I give my daughter Francis and her children Jane. I give my daughter Julia and her children Linda. I give Mary J. Brown and her children my negro set. I give my negro girl Martha to my wife during her natural life and after her death & negro and her increase to be equally divided between all my children.

share and share alike I will my negro man Wash to be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided between all my children. share and share alike I give my daughter Ellen and her children my negro boy Peter & boy now in her possession I give my daughter Elizabeth and her children my negro girl Nancy & negro now in her possession. I give the balance of my land known as the Strange land to my two sons John A. & Saml. D. and they are to let my single daughters live on said land as long as they will or how a how.

The gin and house I give to John A. and Saml. D. equally. I give John A. & Saml. D. my negro waggon equally, the crop on the place shall be sold & the proceeds there of and what notes I have on hand also to pay the debts I owe the heirs of J. Strange. I give Mary J. Brown and her children my mule called Dolly. I give Saml. D. my mare called Jerry (John I gave a horse before) and the balance of my mules to be equally divided between Margaret Ellen Julia Francis & Samuel the stock of cow & hogs to be equally divided between them. I give Mary J. Brown my carriage they can have repaired and I give them equally for their mutual benefit. I give John A. & Saml. D. Margaret Julia Francis one bed and furniture each. my sheep and the residue of all my estate to be equally divided amongst all my children share and share alike after first giving a decent head and foot stone to my grave likewise I make constitute and appoint John M. Lemon & Augustus W. Smith to be my executors to this my last Will and Testament. herein revoking all former Wills by me made. In witness I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 12th day of October 1851.

Executed in presence of
Wm. D. Wright of this place
intended before a just

Henry More

David Jernison
James Jernison

In Probate see Minute Book of
Clerk 544.

Mary Rhodes's
(Will)

I Mary Rhodes of Tipton County & State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills made by me.

It is my will and desire that my executor will pay all of my just debts as soon after my death as possible.

I will and bequeath to my son Blackman Rhodes my negro girl Abby about fourteen years old during her natural life & at his death should he die without children. I will that the said girl Abby with her increase shall be equally divided among my grand children in this way (viz)

each set of grand children to have one fifth of said girl & her increase or the portions that their parents would have if left equally among them.

I will to my son John Rhodes during his natural life my negro girl Betty about sixteen years of age said girl Betty and increase is never to be subject to any debts heretofore contracted by said John Rhodes, and after her death said girl is to be equally with her increase divided among the children of said John Rhodes and should he die without any lawful children then the said girl Betty & her increase shall be divided in the same way.

That I have devised that the girl Abby should be. I will and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Ingram for her own separate use & benefit during her natural life Emma about 22 years of age & pay all of the money after paying my just debts that shall arise from the sale of my ~~valuable~~ stock & hog horses cows household and kitchen furniture farming tools &c &c girl and her increase & said money in no wise is to be subject to the debts of her husband but is designed for her own separate use and benefit & after the death of my said daughter the said negro & increase & the said money are to be equally divided among the children of my said daughter Sarah Ingram. I give and bequeath to my daughter Alice Rhodes my negro girl Mary about 17 years old.

and Rachel a negro girl about seven years old in the same way and for the same purpose that I have devised to my daughter Sarah Ingram in the foregoing &c &c I am.

Item 2th

I will and bequeath to my son Solomon Rhodes all the land and interest that I now own & also my negro girl Nancy about eighteen years old.

Item 3th

I will and bequeath to my son Daniel M. Rhodes my negro boy Daniel 21 years & my negro man Ephram & boy Clinton & Hannah about nine years old. To make every item in the will plain I will all that it is of my will that the children of my son Solomon shall have an equal share in the division of girl Abby & increase.

I hereby nominate and appoint my son Daniel M. Rhodes my Executor of this my last Will and Testament. Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of Oct 1857. Signed sealed and acknowledged to be his last Will and Testament in presence of

J. A. Sadler,
J. R. Sharp,
C. Angel,
B. W. White

Mary Rhodes (Said)

For Probate see Minute Book, E Page 574.

S. W. Alston's
Will.

I Samuel W. Alston to this day the Twentieth first day of May one Thousand Eight hundred and fifty five being in sound mind and memory do make and constitute this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others made by me as follows.

Item 1st

I give and bequeath all my estate Land, Bonds Money and all personal and perishable property to my children it is my will and desire that my ~~that my~~ whole estate be kept together as it now is and the proceeds arising therefrom be a common fund for the support and education of my children and as each arrives at the age of Twenty one or marry to receive his or her equal proportion of all personal and perishable property and my real estate remain undivided until all my children are Twenty one years of age or married.

Item 2^d

I hold a deed of Trust in property in North Carolina now in the possession of My Brother, William M. Alston during his natural life and after his death it is to be equally divided between my children in like manner as my other property. I make and constitute my son Samuel A. Alston sole executor to my Estate and Guardian for my children and as I have full confidence in him I wish no security required from him.

S. W. Alston

For Probate See Minute Book E. Page 561.

M. C. Green's
Will.

State of Tennessee

Jeff. Shelby County

I M. C. Green of said State being now sick in body but of sound mind & disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament revoking all others to wit.

1st

I will that all my just debts be paid out of funds arising from my ^{personal} estate.

2^d

It is my will & I hereby bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Ann, all of my estate real and personal of every kind & description whatsoever & whenever to be by him held ^{and} enjoyed for and during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided between our children then living or their descendants with this promise that if said Sarah Ann shall marry again after my decease in the event and when it occurs all of my said Estate and its proceeds shall be immediately & equally divided between her and our said children share and share alike the descendants of any deceased child to have the share that would have been taken by such child if living and upon such division being made the several divisions shall hold their said several shares in fee simple absolute.

3^d

It is my will & I hereby empower my executor hereafter appointed if it shall become necessary in the settlement of my estate or in the payment of my debts to sell any part of my estate real or personal land or negroes as he in his discretion shall think most prudent and proper and to make good and indefeasible titles therefor to the purchasers.

4th

I hereby authorize said wife Sarah Ann after settlement of the Estate and the payment of all just debts, if she shall deem it prudent proper able & most to the interest of herself and children to sell any part of said Estate with this promise however that the proceeds of said sale shall be held by her whether reinvested or not subject to all the provisions & remainders set forth in foregoing parts of this Will.

4th

I hereby appoint and constitute my said beloved wife Sarah Ann Green to be the Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and I hereby release her from the necessity of giving bond or security to any person or Court for the performance of the duties herein imposed on her and I request and require that no Court shall compel her to give any bond & security for the same.

In testimony whereof I the said M. C. Green have hereto herunto set my hand and seal this 2^d day of Feb'y A.D. 1858

Signes sealed and published in our presence by Testator & witnessed by us in his presence at his request & in the presence of each other

J. R. Sanford
J. M. Green
Henry D. Small

For probate see Minute Book
E. Page. 2. 518

A. Wood
Will.

I Alexander Wood of Tipton County State of Tennessee being of advanced age and my health infirm in view of the uncertainty of my human existence do make order and publish this as my last Will and Testament as follows.

First. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Catharine one cow and calf such as she may choose out of my stock also one feather bed with bedstead and the usual sufficient furniture and covering for winter and summer such as she may choose and further the sum of one hundred dollars in money to be paid to her as soon as practicable or convenient by my Executor after my death and the payment of all my just debts and funeral expenses which I wish first to be paid out of any money that may come into the hands

Second

of my Executor.

I give & bequeath to my daughter Lavinia Ann Elera Maloy widow of Amberson Maloy and to her heirs and assigns forever my tract of land in said County of Tipton lying about one mile North of Covington in which I have resided for many years past containing about twenty five acres, included in my dwelling Mill and all other appertinances on or belonging to said land to have and to hold to her & heirs forever After the payment of my debts and the legacies to my wife and daughter as specified in the articles above should there be any remainder or surplus of money or of my personal estate I wish and direct that said surplus or remainder be equally divided between my five sons Thomas & William Carroll John A. J. and Peter P. Wood or such of them as may be living at the time of such division.

I have heretofore given to each of my children that are not herein named above as much for their education as I am able to do for those named and therefore make no further provision for them.

Should there not be a sufficiency of my personal estate to pay my debts funeral expenses and the legacy to my wife then and in that case I wish and direct my executors to sell the land and to fully authorize and empower him so to do it public sale without any order or decree of Court for that purpose and to convey the same arising a sufficiency of the proceeds of such sale for the purpose above stated and the balance of the proceeds of the land pay over to my daughter Lavinia Ann Elera Maloy unless she should make up and pay any such deficiency in which case the land may not be sold without my said daughter's consent it should be.

Lastly

I do hereby appoint my friend R. S. Barrett Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In testimony whereof I do hereto subscribe my name and affix my seal this 21st day of Sept. A.D. 1858.

A. Wood. (Seal)

signed sealed and acknowledged
by the Testator in our presence
the day and year above written

R. H. Munford,
J. H. Caulterdell,
G. J. Masines,
For probate see Minutes Book C.
Page 624,

John T. Douglas Clerk,

Jane M^{rs} Fadden:
Will.

I, Jane M^{rs} Fadden of Lipton
County Tenn do hereby publish this my
last Will and Testament hereby revoking and
making void all other wills by me at any time
made.

I do direct that my funeral expenses and of my
debts be paid as soon after my death as
possible out of my money & I may be possessed
of or may first come into the hands of my Executor
I direct and authorize my Executor to receive in
his own hands four hundred dollars for the use
and benefit of Francis D. Lane he being her
Guardian and responsible for four percentum
of said money until it be consumed or paid out
as hereafter directed.

When the Guardian shall have consumed in
supporting of Francis D. Lane the legacy due
her from the Estate of Perry Lane Decd then
said Guardian will be authorized to appropriate
to the use and benefit of said F. D. Lane as she
may need from time to time first the interest
of said four hundred dollars and secondly such
parts of the principle as he may deem necessary
for her support. Now provided Francis D. Lane
should not live to consume the above named four
hundred dollars it shall then be the duty of
said Executor to distribute the remainder in his
hands equally between himself and my

lawful representatives

Fourthly Whereas there is some probability of Nathan H.
M^{rs} Fadden sustaining some loss by redeeming
and selling for my benefit a certain tract of land
in Davidson City Tennessee sold by a decree of Court
as the property of Brandon. M^{rs} Fadden Now should
N. H. M^{rs} Fadden sustain any loss in said transaction
I authorize him to receive in his own hands as my
executor the amt. he loses and a reasonable compensation
for any trouble he may be put to out of any money or
notes that I may be possessed not heretofore disposed
of.

Fifthly I wish all the balance of my property sold on such
a credit as my executor may think best and the
proceeds of the whole estate not heretofore disposed
of equally divided in accordance with the last Will
and Testament of Gray M^{rs} Fadden Decd between our
lawful representatives.

Sixthly and lastly I nominate and appoint Nathan H.
M^{rs} Fadden as my executor to this as my last Will
and Testament this 10th day of January One thousand
eight hundred and fifty four.

Test,
J. H. Glegg,
J. C. Hargens,

Jane M^{rs} Fadden

For probate see Minutes Book C.
Page 618.

John T. Douglas Clerk

John Barker's Will

I John Barker of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing Memory yet aware of the uncertainty of life do make this my Last Will and Testament revoking and annulling void any will that I have heretofore made

I request that my funeral expences and all my debts be paid by my executor immediately after my death out of such moneys that I may be possessed of or that may first come into his possession.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucretia Barker for and during the term of her natural life the tract of land on which I now reside containing about two hundred and twenty four acres, half the whole now being enclosed and at the death of my wife Lucretia it is my wish that said tract of land shall vest in & go to my daughter Theresa & I then bequeath said tract to her children (to wit) John P. Townsend, Joseph Townsend Lucretia Townsend & Geo. W. Townsend to be equally divided between them then.

I give and bequeath to my grand children John P. Townsend, Joseph Townsend Lucretia Townsend & Geo. W. Townsend (the children of my daughter Theresa) of my tract of land lying in Fletcher's bottom about a quarter of a mile from the tract that I reside on and purchased by me of Wm. Linner four hundred acres to be laid off to my said grand children on the northeastern of said one thousand acre tract.

and I also give to my daughter Amanda Austin during her natural life the tract of land on which she and her husband (W.D. Austin) now resides said tract containing one hundred and fourteen acres and after the death of my daughter Amanda said tract to vest and belong to the heirs of her body forever.

I also give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda during her life and after her death to the heirs of her body one third of the balance of my thousand acre tract four hundred acres having been

previously given away to the children of my daughter Theresa. I also give to my daughter Amanda during her natural life & after death to her children a negro slave I do give.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan D. Dickerson for the term of her natural life the tract of land on which she now resides containing about one hundred and eighty acres said tract of land to vest and belong at her death to the heirs of her body also one third of my one thousand acre tract not granted and bequeathed to the children of my daughter Theresa or one third of so much as is left after such bequeaths taken during her natural life and at her death to the heirs of her body.

I give and bequeath to my grandchildren John B. Turner William J. Turner and to my great grand daughter Mary Amanda Austin the remaining portion of my one thousand acre tract the said tract to descend to the survivor or survivors in case of death of either of said grand children or great grand child without heirs of their body.

I give to my said second children, J. B. & W. S. Turner and to my great grand children daughter Mary Amanda Austin the one half of the tract on which I now reside of four hundred and forty nine acres (449) being the half of said tract unenclosed the said tract to vest in and belong to my said grand children and great grand child & to the children & without issue to the survivor or survivors of them.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan & W. Dickerson during her natural life and after death to her children the following slaves (to wit) Henry Billy Theresa and Jane.

I give and bequeath to my wife Lucretia during her natural life all the personal property including slaves cattle stock farming household and kitchen utensils & furniture & all other kinds whatever that is used about the farm I now reside on and the death of my wife said property to be equally divided between my heirs children and grand children as by the laws of descent it is my wish that my present crops of corn wheat and of any other descent save that of cotton remain to my wife for the purpose

Mem 10th

of keeping up the farm.

I require of my Executor that he proceed as soon as practicable to sell my crop of cotton and to apply the proceeds to the payment of my debts or as much thereof as is due and that the balance of my debts not due and hereafter to be paid. I require my said Executor to pay the same out of the proceeds of crops raised on the plantation hereafter.

Mem 16th

I appoint my friend Anderson Garbo my son in law Joseph W. H. Townsend and my beloved wife Lucretia Cook, my executors & executrix this my will in all things as I have required.

Witness my hand and seal to this my will on the 20th day of Sept. A.D. 1851

John Cook *(Seal)*

Inquest sealed Subscribed & published in our presence and to which we hereto subscribe our names in signature the day and year above mentioned

Test. Humphrey B. Bates
James Lead.

For probat see Minute Book & Page 51

John T. Douglas *(Seal)*

James M. Smith: *(Seal)*
Will

I James M. Smith being in full health but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament.

Mem 18th

It is my will that my executor hereafter named shall as soon as practicable after my death proceed to pay all of my just debts.

2^d

After the payment of all my just debts it is my wish that all of my property and effects except my Buggy and house hold property shall be equally divided between my beloved wife Mary Ellen Smith and my son Pleasant Burton Smith share and share alike.

3^d

It is my wish that my said wife and children shall continue to own and hold my undivided half of the dower interest in what is known as the Whittier Ferry so long as the same may continue profitable and to their interest but if at any time my Executor or the Guardians of my child shall deem it advisable to dispose of the Ferry interest then and in that case he is hereby authorized and empowered to make such sale of said interest as in his judgment will be the best interest.

4th

I desire that my Executor surrender into the hands of my beloved wife for herself use and benefit my Buggy and all my household property.

I do hereby nominate and appoint Jesse S. Carlson of Tipton County as my Executor with all the powers herein mentioned.

I also desire that at the end of two years to be reckoned shall be appointed Guardian for my child Pleasant Burton that he supervise the raising and education of the same this clause is not to be construed to mean that my beloved wife is to be deprived of the possession of her and security of her loved babe.

I further desire that in case my child Pleasant Burton shall be during his minority that his interest in my estate should be equally divided between my sister Amanda V. J. Walker

Understand & take & Mary E. Humphrey and
deposed through them, to their children as
witness & to which I hereunto set my hand
and affix my seal in presence of
W. J. Yarbrow. This 26th day of November 1858.

J. Jewell
W. J. Yarbrow. James W. Smith (Seal)
For Probate, see Minute Book
p. Page 36.

Richard D. Tyler, Will. Stat of Tennessee
County of Tipton

In the name of God. Amen I Richard D.
Tyler being of a sound mind and memory
do ordain and publish this to be my last
Will and Testament in the following manner
namely:

My Will is that all my just debts be paid
My will is that my watch buckle and saddle
be sold the proceeds of which with the balance
of my estate I will to my sister in law Mary
Elizabeth Tyler for the sole benefit of educating
my four children, Mary Elizabeth, Louisa,
Lucy Ann and John Tyler. I do hereby appoint
my friend Sidney C. Sherrill to be Executor
of this my last Will and Testament signed on
this the 20th day of October 1858

R. D. Tyler (Seal)

When Mary signed
in the presence of
James L. Hall
A. B. interposed before signed

John Waley
James L. Hall

For probate see Minute Book
p. Page 33.

Presby J. Oaks Will

I Presby J. Oaks of the State of
Missouri Warren County but at this time absent
from home on a visit to Tennessee being of sound
mind & disposing memory but feeble in body do
make and ordain this as my last Will and Testament
to wit. I am one of the lawful heirs of Elizabeth
Oaks and have according to her will an undi-
vided interest of one half in a certain tract of land
lying in Warren County Missouri and a like
interest in certain moneys willed to my late
mother.

Now I wish to make the following distribution
of all my interest in the above mentioned land
and moneys (viz) I bequeath to my brother &
sister John & Francis Jones two hundred dollars
I give and bequeath to my sister America 11.

Oaks all of the balance of my interest in my
mother's Estate which consisting in lands & moneys.
I bequeath that my old friend & neighbor
Fields Archer become Executor to this my last Will
& Testament. This the thirteenth day of September
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
& fifty eight.

Presby J. Oaks (Seal)
W. L. Hall
F. J. Archer

For probate see Minute Book
p. Page 74.

James M. McBrain
Will.

I, James M. McBrain do make and publish this as my last Will & Testament hereby revoking and making void all other Wills by me at any time made.

First. I direct that my funeral expences and all my debts be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of my money that I may be possessed with of the money first come into the hands of my Executor.

2^d I wish all my real estate to remain entirely subject to trust and under the control of my wife Martha until such time as all or any of my children shall come at lawful age or marry and then I wish my said lands to be divided by commissioners selected by my legacies between my said wife and children according to the law of distribution in such cases. But in case my said wife shall die before such division should be made my executors hereafter nominated with the concurrence of my said wife legacies shall select commissioners and make equal division of my lands among my children according to law.

3^d I wish all my personal property of all kinds to remain in the possession and subject to the control of my said wife Martha to be used and disposed of in such manner as she may think best calculated to promote the interest of herself and family and when any of my children marry or arrive at lawful age I wish my said wife to portion them off as she may be able to do having regard to the amount in advance that all my heirs have share and share alike in case they desire such division. But in case my said wife die before such division be made my executors shall dispose of all my personal property according to law.

lastly. I nominate and appoint M. C. McBrain my Executor and wish the Court to release him from giving any security. In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand

and seal this 14th day of March 1839.

James M. McBrain
Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this 14th day of March 1839.

Test.
John Wilson.
Wm. Baird.

James Garrison
Will.

I, James Garrison of the County of Dyer and State of Tennessee being of full age but of sound and disposing mind and memory and being desirous to make other & different disposition of my property than that made by the laws of the land do make and publish this my last Will and Testament as follows to wit.

Item 1st I will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible.

Item 2^d I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha M. My negro Alex & Eads all my stock and provision monies on hand or due house hold & Kitchen furniture & farming tools to be separate use and behoof forever.

Item 3^d I will and bequeath to my friend and relation Eliza K. Cherry my negro girl Emilina to have and to hold to her own separate use & behoof forever.

Item 4th I will and bequeath to the children of my brother David Garrison the tract of one hundred acres of land on which I now reside also my negro John William & Leatha to be equally divided amongst them share and share alike.

Item 5th It is my will and desire that my said wife have the full and free use and enjoyment of the property bequeathed in the 2^d Item during her natural life unless she should see proper to vacate the homestead by removal in which event I desire the land to go into the possession of my brother's children to whom it is bequeathed and the negroes John William & Leatha to remain in

possession during her life as afore said
I do nominate and appoint my beloved wife Martha
M. Cullum to be my last Will and Testament
and it is my desire that on probating this
Will she be permitted to qualify as such without
any bond or security.
In testimony of which I hereto set my hand
and affix my seal this 30th day of July A.D. 1849.

Signed sealed and
acknowledged in our
presence
J. M. Smith
J. D. Smith
James Jamison

For Probate see Minute Book
Ch Page 139 September Term A.D. 1849.

James Cullum's Will

I James Cullum do make
publish this my last Will and Testament
revoaking and making void all other
wills by me made.

I direct that all my debts be paid.

I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth W.
Cullum all of my estate whether real or personal
during her life after her death all to be sold
and an equal division to be made of the
proceeds between Martha J. Atkinson James
W. Cullum and Marcus W. Cullum as the
lawful heirs of these bodies.

I do nominate and appoint my wife Elizabeth
W. Cullum and M. H. Cullum Executors to
this my last Will.

This 20th day of June 1854

James Cullum
For Probate see Minute Book Ch Page
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Agness Wright's Will

I Agness Wright do make
publish this my last Will and Testament as
follows hereby revoking all Wills by me any
time made.

First I do soon after my death as possible after my
decease all my just debts & funeral expenses
shall be paid out of any money that I may
die possessed of, or that may first come into the
hands of my executors and that a head
stone be procured out of said monies to be raised
my grave.

2^d I give and bequeath to my grandson, Edward
B. son of my deceased son Robert C. Wright three
dollars & intend that he shall have no other or
further interest whatever in my estate.

2^d I give and bequeath to my grandson Thomas
son of Thomas Angus three dollars and
intend that he shall have no other or further
interest whatever in my estate.

3^d I give and bequeath to my grandson Robert
B. son of my deceased son Robert C. Wright three
dollars & intend that he shall have no other or
further interest whatever in my estate.

4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary
wife of my son Alexander I Wright and
to my daughter in law Mary wife of my son
William C. Wright all of my wearing apparel
of all kinds to be equally divided between them.

5th I give and bequeath the balance of my estate
including all monies & property of all kinds
that I may die possessed of to my three sons
William C. Alexander & James C. Wright
to be equally divided share and share alike
except in the case of my son William C. who
shall have one hundred dollars over and
above my other two sons Alexander I Wright
James C.

Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my
son Alexander I and James C. Wright Executors
of this my last Will and Testament I allow
the Court to require on security of them.

My testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 15th day of August in the year of our Lord 1857.

Witness

W. B. M^r Cain

J. M. Wright

J. H. Stram

For probate see Minute Book & Page 19th Shelby Term A.D. 1860.

Perley James
(Will)

I the last Will and Testament of Perley James, of Tipton County Tennessee I Perley James considering the uncertainty of my mortal life & being of sound mind & memory do make and publish this my last Will & Testament, in manner and form following (that is to say)

I give the pay rent of all of my just debts & do give and bequeath unto Mary Ann Dinwiddie my niece the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid into the hands of Guardian for the use & benefit of said Mary Ann Dinwiddie or to be paid into her own hands when she marries or becomes of age. I also give and bequeath unto the said Mary Ann Dinwiddie my niece one cow and calf and one bedstead Feather bed and bed clothing.

I give and bequeath unto Euritha Parish my step daughter one Featherbed bed bedstead & clothing and Featherbed bedstead and clothing to be given unto the possession of said Euritha Parish when she shall reach the age of majority.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James all the remainder of my personal property of whatever description to be held by her and used without any description restrictions whatsoever.

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James the one hundred and five acres of land on which I now reside said land

being situated & lying in the fifth civil district of Tipton County and State of Tennessee to be held and used during the term of her natural life provided nevertheless that if she marry again the one half of the one hundred & five acres of land shall then come into the possession of my niece.

Mary Ann Dinwiddie before mentioned the above half of said land to remain in the possession of my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James before mentioned and on the death of my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James the whole of the above described one hundred and five acres of land all then come into the possession of my niece Mary Ann Dinwiddie before mentioned or the heirs of her body.

I give and bequeath unto my brother-in-law Sharn B. Roberts one rifle gun or one double barrel shot gun at his option provided that at the time of my death I shall be possessed of two guns should I not have the two guns he is still to have one gun. I also appoint the said Sharn B.

Roberts sole executor of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

Perley James

The above instrument consisting of half sheet & eight lines was now here subscribed by Perley James the Testator in the presence of each of us and was at the time declared by him to be his last Will & Testament and we at his request signed our names hereto as attesting witnesses.

William A. Martin of Tipton County
Lemuel A. Williams of Tipton County

For Probate see Minute Book & Page 10th

A. G. W. Donald: *G*
Will.

I, A. G. W. Donald of the County of Dyer & State of Tennessee, being sound in mind and knowing the uncertainty of life, think it right and proper, to make disposition of the property with which an all-wise creator and benefactor has, invested me. I do therefore hereby make this my last will and Testament and revoke all others.

First. It is my wish that all my bonds be packed & kept together on my home place, without it should become necessary in the opinion of the Guardian hereafter to be appointed to remove a part of the bonds to the Vaughan or New life place in order to secure a sufficiency of reliable land for the force.

Second. It is my wish that no public sale be made on my premises and that nothing be sold for the payment of my debts but the products of the farm and that all the household furniture & table ware be kept & secure for the benefit of my ^{two} children, James J. & William L. McDonald, subject to the discretion of their Guardian in using any part of the same.

Third. It is my wish that the Guardian of my children appropriate from the proceeds of the farm the sum of Fifty dollars annually, to the Missionary cause all of which shall be expend for the home mission if necessary if not the balances on foreign Missions should any servant become unruly or improperly dishonest it is my wish that such servant or servants shall be hired out to the highest bidder annually until my son James J. McDonald attains his majority.

Fourth. It is my wish that when my dear son James McDonald shall arrive at the age of Twenty one that all of my property personal & real of every kind be equally divided between my three children James J. & William L. McDonald.

Fifth. I give and bequeath to my Brother, James A. McDonald my buggy box and buggy

Lastly.

I do hereby and appoint my brother James A. McDonald Executor of this my last will and Testament & also Guardian of my children & that he shall not be required to give security either as Executor or Guardian for any personal or real estate to which I have given individuals right.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal, this 19th December in the year of our Lord 1847.

Test.

B. F. Ware

J. J. Vandermill.

A. G. W. Donald: *G*

See probate see Minute Book Ch Page 208.

Henry Perkins: *G*
Will.

I, Henry Perkins of said State and County, do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all other heretofore made by me in manner and form as follows.

1st. I give and bequeath to each of the children of my deceased daughter Anna Ann Ferrell Perkins and design that they shall in any other part of my estate whatever.

2d. I give and bequeath to my two sons James L. Perkins & Charles B. Perkins, all the lands I may be seized and possessed of to be divided as follows, beginning at the corner of the 2nd acre tract that I purchased of John Strong it being the N. East corner of said tract thence South with the meanders of the creek up to the mouth of a branch that runs into said creek of the East side some few poles below a bridge at present on said creek thence up said branch to the foot of the hill near an old wolf pen thence along the foot of the hill until the line intersects Henry Thomases North boundary line.

And my son James L. Perkins shall have the Western side of said land. And my son Charles B. Perkins shall have the Eastern division of said lands including the Mansion house where I now reside the afore said lands however I bequeath to my two sons as aforesaid

and in case either or both of them should die
 leaving children with the following proviso (viz)
 that my son James L. Perkins pay to my grand
 children William L. & Margaret S. children of my
 deceased son William H. Perkins one thousand
 dollars each, and that my son C. M. Perkins
 as aforesaid pay to James Lewis and Benjamin
 Thomas children of my deceased son B. J. Perkins
 One Thousand dollars each, and a lien shall
 be retained on all said lands to secure the pay-
 ment of this amount respectively to my four
 grand children as aforesaid. These bequests of
 one thousand dollars to each of my four grand
 children as aforesaid shall commence bearing interest
 from my death, and my said son James L. & C. M.
 Perkins or their legal representatives shall pay over
 said bequests as soon as my said grand children
 shall arrive at the age of twenty one years but in
 case either or both of my said sons should wish to sell
 their lands they shall be authorized to do so upon
 condition of their giving a bond and good security
 to the County Judge of Lipton County or his successor
 in office for the faithful payments of said bequests.
 All my slaves including those bound to my two
 sons James L. & C. M. Perkins (except) Minerva
 hereafter disposed of shall be divided into four lots of
 equal value and my sons James L. & C. M. Perkins
 shall have one fourth of said negroes to themselves
 and then to their children forever, the remaining two
 fourths of my negroes shall remain in joint
 stock to be equally divided between the children
 of my deceased sons William H. & B. J. as aforesaid
 as they shall arrive at the age of twenty years
 respectfully, but in case one of the children of my
 said son William H. Perkins should die leaving
 issue then and in that case the portion of such
 decedent shall descend to the surviving brother or
 sister as the case may be and in case both
 the children of the said W. H. Perkins should
 die childless then and in that case all their
 interest both property and money descend
 from me shall revert back and shall be
 equally divided between my two sons

James L. & C. M. Perkins and their children
 and should either one or both of the children of my
 said son B. J. Perkins die then and in that case
 the same disposition shall be made of their effects
 as in the case of the children of my said son
 William H. Perkins.

It is my wish that my negro woman Minerva
 shall be valued as my other negroes and be taken
 at her valuation by either of my said sons James
 L. & C. M. Perkins and not go into the shares of

said grand children.
 All my house and kitchen furniture farming
 implements and stock of all kinds shall be sold
 by my Executors who I now nominate I do
 nominate and appoint my friend Bangor Payne
 and my two sons James L. Perkins and Charles
 H. Perkins my Executors to this my last Will
 and Testament.

And lastly, it is my wish and desire that
 my three Executors above named mentioned be
 appointed guardians for my four grand children
 William L. Margaret S. James Lewis and
 Benjamin Thomas Perkins the two children of my
 two deceased sons W. H. & B. J. Perkins and to
 act as their Guardian until they arrive at the age of
 twenty years respectfully.

In witness whereof I do this my will set my
 hand and seal this the 27th day of April 1857.

Henry Perkins (Bm)

Signed sealed and published
 in our presence and we have
 subscribed our names, hereto
 in the presence of the testator this
 the 29th day of April A. D. 1857.

Henry Harmon
 A. Wyndham
 Jas. M. M. Clarkin
 Chs. Robt. see Minutes Book. P. Page. 248.
 May Term 1858.

James B. Machin
Mill

In the name of God Amen
I, James B. Machin of the County of Tipton and
State of Tennessee being of sound mind and
body yet aware of the uncertainty of life and
the certainty of death do make and declare
this to be my last Will and Testament

To my beloved wife Lucy L. Machin I give
in whole & in part, both real and personal
to have and to hold to sell and dispose of in
any way she may think proper. I do this
with a full assurance that should she after
my death conclude to marry, that previous
to taking such a step she will make ample
provisions for our children either by a deed or
gift or by marriage contract securing to herself
the right to dispose of her property as she may
think proper. It is further my will that no
administrator shall be had of my property
but the whole shall remain in L. L. Machin's
possession as it is now in mine.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my
hand and seal this 19th day of Oct 1849

J. B. Machin *(Seal)*

After the lapse of more than Eleven years I
can see no good reason to alter the above Will
and although I will not direct yet fit is my
Desire that wife and all our children give liber-
ally and cheerfully to objects of charity.

March 15th 1852, J. B.

Witness
W. B. Kimbrough
J. A. M. Miller
John S. Platt

J. B. Machin *(Seal)*

For Probate See Minute Book 2^d Page 246

Ann W. Bradshaw
Mill

I, Ann W. Bradshaw of
Tipton County & State of Tennessee being of
sound & disposing mind & memory do make &
ordain this my last Will and Testament. In
the following words (to wit):

Item 1st I wish all my just debts paid as soon after
my decease as possible.

Item 2^d I give to my son Manson Bradshaw three
hundred dollars more than his equal portion of my
Estate.

Item 3^d All the money coming to me from my Father's
estate in V. A. I wish to be equally divided between
my two sons Rodney & Manson Bradshaw.

Item 4th All the balance of my estate I wish to be equally
divided among my three children Solomey, Oran &
Manson Bradshaw & Wendell's Bradshaw and
Rhodes, and I wish it to be distinctly understood
that the portion willed to my daughters, Solomey
is for the sole & exclusive benefit of her & her law-
-ful heirs & not to be subject to any debts or
debts heretofore or hereafter contracted by her
husband Solomon A. Rhodes.

I hereby revoke all Wills heretofore made by me.
In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my
name and affix my seal this 19th day of August
1852.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in
presence of

W. B. Kimbrough
J. R. Sharp
R. E. Wendrich

Ann W. Bradshaw *(Seal)*

For Probate See Minute Book 2^d Page 266

Wm. B. Tucker's Will
 I, Wm. B. Tucker of Seipton County Tennessee being in sound & disposing mind & memory do make and publish & declare this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking & making void all former Wills by me made & for the management & distribution of Estate both real and personal action or remainder in manners & form following to wit.

I give and bequeath to beloved wife Elizabeth Tucker the following negroes to wit my woman Wamnet & her children & my man John & my Sowl buggy horse & my bay mare & my buggy two yoke of oxen her choice & my large wagon three cows & calves her choice. Also thousand pounds of pork & four sows & piglets her choice one hundred barrels of corn three thousand bundles of fodder & a good stock of cattle and fifty bushels of Wheat.

I also give her all my house hold property & every kind & as the girls may need to give them each a bed & furniture with a bedstead to make them equal with my children that have married off. All of which I give to my wife as above the above property during her lifetime and at her death if it should be before the sale of my property as hereafter named and if my wife should live till after my sale hereafter named the negroes and property left to her to be sold to the highest bidder and the money to be divided between my children hereafter named.

I also give to my wife as above my lands free of rent during her lifetime.

I will & desire that Colin Miller Mary Jane Bet. Jesse the child of Mary Martin Jane together with all my crops that has not been disposed of to be sold after it has all been gathered and the proceeds to be equally divided between my children hereafter named after all my just debts have been paid by my Executor Rev. Calvin Tucker Miller

Moore, J. M. Tucker Elizabeth Furnage Skelton Tucker & Wm. A. Tucker Frances Bowers Skelly Eddine Victory Tucker.

I Will that J. M. Tucker Skelton Tucker and Victory Tucker have one hundred dollars more than a distribution share to make them equal with those that have married off for property gave them.

I also constitute and appoint my son Calvin Tucker & my son in law C. S. Moore Executors to this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I set my hand & affix my seal this 10th day of July A.D. 1862.

Witnessed before signed

Wm. B. Tucker (S)

Witness
 Wm. A. Bowers
 Allen Pickard

For Probate see Minutes Book. P. Page 247

Vincent P. Kelly's Will
 State of Tennessee
 Seipton County

I Vincent P. Kelly of the County of White and State of Arkansas being weak & feeble in body but of sound mind do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking any and all Wills heretofore made by me.

1st It is my will that all my just debts be paid by my Executor hereinafter to be appointed as soon as practicable.

2^d It is my will that my Executor as aforesaid pay to my beloved brother W. J. Kelly who resides in Craighead County in the State of Arkansas the sum of fifty cts. out of the Estate of which I may be possessed seized and possessed.

3^d It is my will that my Executor as aforesaid pay to each of my beloved sisters Susan C. Kelly who resides in St. Francis County Arkansas and St. F. Baintight who resides in White County Arkansas and Miss Eliza Kelly

who resides in White County Arkansas.
 the sum of fifty cents each out of the Estate
 of which I may be seized or possessed.
 And lastly it is my will that my Executor
 after paying all of my just debts shall pay
 over to my beloved wife Sarah J. Kelly all the
 moneys in his hands after defraying the
 expenses of Administration. It is my will
 that my wife have all of my real & personal
 Estate which may be left and that all proceeds
 therefrom when said Estate when shall be wound
 up. It is my will that the tract of land
 which I now own lying and being in the
 County of White & State of Arkansas in
 Section (17) & Township (7) North of range (2)
 containing forty five acres being the same
 conveyed by Wm. J. Kelly to me, dated the 11th
 of October 1855.

I will & tract of land to my wife Sarah
 & Kelly to be disposed of by her as she may
 see proper. I will it to her for her own sole &
 separate use with full power to convey or
 otherwise dispose of it. It is my will that all
 the right title and interest which I have in
 and to said land & all other lands after my
 death be & shall be vested in her & that she have
 the same powers & control over said lands that
 I now have.

It is my will that my esteemed friend
 Wm. R. Erdy Esq. of the County of White & State
 of Arkansas be appointed & is hereby requested
 to act as my Executor of this my last Will &
 Testament that he take possession of all my
 Estate pay off all my just debts & give to my beloved
 wife all of my property both real and personal (Chancery).

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand & seal this the 28th day of June in the year
 of our Lord A.D. 1860.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
 in our presence this June 28th A.D. 1860 Vincent P. Kelly (Seal)
 Test. Yeazell L. Blank
 J. W. H. Townsend
 Geo. Probate ex Minut Book 54 Page 246

Arthur F. Wooten
 Will.

State of Tennessee,
 Dyer County.

I Arthur F. Wooten being in a low state of
 health but sound in mind do make and
 publish this my last Will and Testament.

First I want all my just and lawful debts paid as
 soon after my death as circumstances will justify.
 2^d I want my entire estate consisting of Negroes land
 stock of every kind household and kitchen furniture
 sold to the highest bidder for cash as soon after
 my death as circumstances will require.

3^d I want my wife to have a child's part of my
 estate during her natural life but when she marries
 or dies her part to be equally divided between my
 three youngest children, Charles James, Julia
 and Eliza if any remain after the consideration
 hereafter mentioned in reference to my wife's
 part. I want her part of my estate placed in the
 hands of my son Wm. F. Wooten to act as her guar-
 dian as I don't think her capable of managing
 her own affairs. I want her supported out of her
 share as long as she lives or is my widow at her
 death or marriage the remainder if any to be
 divided as above described. I give to my grand
 daughter Mary Wooten 300 Dollars which I want
 placed in the hands of my son E. S. Wooten to
 act as her guardian so far as the 300 Dollars is
 concerned to be paid to her when she marries or
 becomes of age but in case of her dying without
 issue to be equally divided among my children.
 I give in addition to what I have already given
 my daughter Mary Coward to give her 300 dollars
 to be paid to her by Executors as soon as circum-
 stances will justify after my death.

The balance of the proceeds of my entire estate I want
 equally divided between the balance of my chil-
 dren except E. S. Wooten I have given him
 a tract of land the value of which I want
 taken out of his share of my Estate.

I appoint as my Executor my two sons
 Wm. F. and Cannon S. Wooten

given under my hand and seal this 17th
May 1854

Witnesses

W. H. Turnage

W. B. Tucker

Jas W. Swins

Arthur J. Weston (Seal)

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W. Ross M. Cain

Will.

I W. Ross M. Cain

do make and publish this as my last Will
and Testament hereby revoking and making
void all other wills by me at any time made.
I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
debts be paid out of any money that I may
be seized to possessed of or may first come into
the hands of my Executor.

I give and bequeath to my wife Letitia my
negro man Harrison but this bequest is
made on the condition that she pay back into
my Estate at the time she is put into possession
of said negro man the sum of five hundred
and forty dollars. I also give and bequeath
to my wife my sonnet Harv a saddle blanket
buckle up bed the bed and bedstead and
all the clothing brought here with her.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Lois
Vashti my negro woman Milley but this
bequest is made on the condition that she
pay back into my estate at the time she is
put into the possession of said negro woman
the sum of one hundred dollars.

I give and bequeath to my son Leonardus
Johnson my silver watch conditioned that
he pay into my estate the sum of twenty dollars.

I will and direct that all of my effects
both real and personal not included in
the above bequest remain in the hands
of my wife as head of the family and to
be used by her for the benefit and use of
all and each member of the family.

living in the family just in the same manner
as I should have done ever & alive so long as
they continue to live together as a family
but if at any time they should determine or
consent as a family to break up house keeping
as a family then my Executor shall take
charge of my effects both real and personal
(except my wife's dower interest in the land) and
settle up my Estate and divide the proceeds
equally according to law.

I have advanced each of my daughters Mary
Catharine Dickson and Eliza Campbell Wilson
the sum of two hundred dollars which amount
is to be charged to them in the settlement
of my estate.

I will and direct that my daughters Lois
Vashti be considered as of mature years
and in all cases in reference to my Estate
to act as if she were 21 years of age.

I direct that immediately after my decease
my Executor deliver up all the property named
in the 2^d 3^d & 4th bequests of this my last Will
and Testament and he is hereby authorized
to deliver up give bills of sale for and receive
the money for all the property named in said
bequest.

I hereby nominate and appoint Alexander L.
McKinn my Executor.

W. R. M. Cain (Seal)

signed sealed and executed in the presence of
us this 17th day of May 1854.

Jas. G. Moore

W. B. Baird

I W. R. M. Cain having

heretofore made my last Will and Testament
do make and declare this as a codicil
thereto (viz)

I will that the proceeds arising from the sale
of my negro woman Milley as directed in the
3^d bequest of my last Will & Testament and the
proceeds arising from the sale of my negro
boys Jack and Harry as directed in the
5th bequest of my last Will and Testament

be equally divided between all the children of my deceased wife Margaret.

2^d I Will that all my Bed & Bed clothing except that already disposed of in the 1st bequest of my last Will & Testament be equally divided between my daughters Lois Vashita and Margaret Elmer at a reasonable valuation and the proceeds arising from this valuation to be equally divided as directed in the 1st bequest of this Codicil to my last Will and Testament.

3^d It is my desire that this codicil be attached to and constitute a part of my will to all intents and purposes.

W. R. Mc Cain (Seal)

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator.

This 10th June 1860.

James Wright.

H. W. Jackson

For Probate see Minute Book of Page 328.

State of Tennessee Martha Jane Craig
Sipton County, Will

I Martha Jane Craig do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other Wills by me at any time made.

First I direct that my funeral expences and all my 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 Executor.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my Brother James Craig and Jesse S. Craig and my sister Margaret S. Driffin all the money and goods & effects or property I may be possessed of after my debts are paid to share and share alike only one bed & clothing for it. I leave to my brother James Craig more than the others & my bodily clothes I leave to my sister Margaret S. Driffin.

Thirdly My will is to make James Craig as a Trustee to pay into the hands of my sister Margaret S. Driffin whatever part of my estate goes to her exclusively that it shall be her own & to do with it as she pleases or her husband John Driffin to have no control of it whatever to get it into her hands.

Fourthly I will and bequeath to my sister Mary Driffin and daughter Mary Driffin One dollar to be paid to her out of my Estate.

Fifthly I nominate and appoint James Craig Executor to this my last Will and Testament whereof I do to this my Will set my hand and seal this 3^d day of December 1860.

Signed sealed and published in our presence & we have subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator at date above.

Witness

Gas S. Pullen

Joseph Baird

Martha Jane Craig (Seal)