

J. S. Klopp's Will

In view of the fact that while in the midst of life we are in death, I, J. S. Klopp, of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling all others by me made.

1st I do commend unto a kind and merciful Providence the care and custody of my soul.

2^d I do give and bequeath unto my wife Mary Ann Klopp all of the personal estate of which I may die seised and possessed and also my entire interest either of personal property or real estate that I may hereafter inherit from the estate of my father John Klopp who departed this life in the year 1840 in North Hallowbury Berks County and State of Pennsylvania.

3^d I do hereby appoint my wife Mary Ann Klopp, Executrix of this my last will and testament without requiring her to give bond and security as required by law. In Testimony whereof I have signed my name and seal.

Witness my hand this 7th day of February 1883
J. S. Klopp
J. M. [unclear] X

Marriet Moore's Will

In the name of God Amen.

I Marriet Moore do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me at any time made. I give and bequeath all of my property both real and personal unto my husband Robert Moore to control and manage as he sees fit during his life. I except one feather bed and necessary clothing and one bay mare.

First

I give to my grandson Robert Johnson but my husband is to have the use of said mare and control the same for the rest of said child and except one cow and pig. I give to my daughter Edna Jones. And I give to my daughter Jane Alexander five dollars in money and I bequeath and I except twenty five dollars out of the rent of the land to cloth and shool my grandson Robert Johnson to be controlled and managed by my husband Robt Moore and at the death of said Robt Moore my husband, all of my both real and personal to go to my daughter Edna Jones and he him or if she since first to her children, in testimony whereof I have this day set my mark and my name and called witnesses to the same. This 12th day of May 1883.

Marriet X Moore

(over)

Signature in our presents on
the day it bears date

Witnesses

S. R. Spurgeon

T. R. Kinton

R. B. Kinton

For Probate See Minute
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Last Will of William M. Wilson,
in the name of God. Amey

I William M. Wilson of the
state of Tennessee and county of
DePue being this day of sound mind
and retentive memory do hereby make
and publish this my last will and testa-
ment hereby revoking and making void
all others at any time by me made.

Item 1st. After paying my burial expenses and
all just debts, debts and bequests
to my beloved grand child in Sarah
Etta and Scott Winfield bearing the
name of McClung to be used by
this mother Charlotte Jane Simpson
untill they the said Sarah Etta & Scott Winfield
McClung shall arrive at the age of Twenty one
years then to become their property; the following
property (to wit) a certain part or parcel of land
it being on the east side and a part of my
home tract, beginning at a Sweet gum
at the all in said tract, thence running
north with the bearing of the East boundary
my line of my said home tract to the
North boundary line of my said home
tract supposed to contain 20 acres
be the same more or less.

Item 2nd. It is my will that the remainder of
my lands be sent out untill my be-
loved daughter Martha Elizabeth Wilson
arrives at the age of Twenty one which
will occur on the 10th day of August
1897. the proceeds of which is to go to
the support of my beloved children
to wit Calvin M. Wilson, Elanice
Garen Wilson, Catherine Wilson &
Martha Elizabeth Wilson untill the
youngest one living arrives at the age

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of Twenty one years after which date the said estate to be equally divided among my legal heirs at law.

Item 3rd. I give and bequeath to my beloved step daughter Charlotte Wilson one Acre and by name Cherry with her present calf and future increase also twenty bushels corn

Item 4th. It is my will that all other stock to wit: Mules Hogs Cows, Corn and all other personal property that I may die seized, except my household furniture be sold, the proceeds of same to go to the liquidation of my just debts. The household and kitchen furniture & contents above to go to Catherine Wilson, Martha Elizabeth Wilson, Calvin McClellin Wilson, David Haden Wilson my beloved children. It is further my will and wish that Jey Special friend John Strong be appointed and requested by me do my desire to take in immediate possession of my estate and become my executor and carry out the provisions of the foregoing my last will and testament also to be appointed the Guardian of my four beloved children, Calvin McClellin Wilson, Martha Elizabeth Wilson, David Haden Wilson and Catherine Wilson.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal this day in the presence

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of the subscribing witnesses this the 14th day of December the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eighty three

W. M. Wilson *Wm*

Witness

The above W. M. Wilson signed the above and acknowledged it to be for the purpose herein set forth to us the subscribing witnesses.

J. S. W. Clainrock
H. M. Dunge

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Last Will of Nancy M. Payne

I Nancy M. Payne of Tipton County Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made.

1st. I direct my executor to sell all my lands and convert them into money as early as practicable and conveyance to the purchaser or purchasers. The subdivision of the lands for the purposes of sale, and the time and terms of the sale are all left to the discretion of my executor.

2nd. I give to my son Virgil L. Payne twenty five (\$25.00) dollars in money and to my daughter Laura A. Miller a certain note for about \$717.00 given to me by her husband John S. Miller and any renewal of said note, provided said note or its renewal be on hand at my death.

3rd. I give to my executor in trust five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in money which together with any interest or profits that may accrue thereon from time to time shall be expended in maintaining and erecting and the family burial grounds on the old Sanyan (Payne) home place in Tipton County Tennessee both principal and interest may be expended.

3rd. All the residue of my estate of every kind including the proceeds of said lands and including property of every description

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by and with the furniture and bed clothes herein after mentioned) I give and bequeath as follows: To my son Daniel H. Payne seven thirty seconds (7/32) thereof, to my son Romulus Payne seven thirty seconds (7/32) thereof, to my daughter Rachel Dickson wife of James F. Dickson seven thirty seconds (7/32) thereof, to my daughter Amanda M. Ruffin wife of W. H. Ruffin seven thirty seconds (7/32) thereof, to my son James H. Payne two thirty seconds (7/32) thereof, to my daughter Melinda E. Blaydes wife of James E. Blaydes two thirty seconds (7/32) thereof. But I am surety for said James F. Dickson on a bond given by him for an appeal to the Supreme Court of Tennessee from a judgment rendered against him by the Circuit Court of Tipton County in favor of B. Combs & others. Two if during my lifetime or my estate after my death shall suffer any loss or have any thing to pay by reason of said suretyship and shall not be reimbursed by said James F. then the amount of such loss or payment not reimbursed shall be deducted from the same given share of my said daughter Rachel & Dickson the same as an advancement to her.

4th. If at any death I should hold against any one of my said ^{sons} or against the husband of any one of my said daughters, any note or other demand whether barred by the statutes of limitation or not.

such note or other demand shall be deducted as an advancement from the above given share or bequest of such son or daughter. However any excess of any such note or other demand over such share or bequest shall be collected for my estate as any other claim.

5th The shares and bequests above given to my said daughters (subject to the contingent advancements named) shall be taken and held by them to their own sole and separate use free from the control, contracts, debts, liabilities and marital rights of their present or any future husbands.

6th Any article of furniture, bedclothes or the like which at my death may be in the hands of anyone of my children shall be and remain the property of such child.

7th I nominate and appoint my son Daniel W. Payne my executor and direct that no bond or security be required of him as such. This 11th 20th 1853

N. M. Payne

The above instrument was acknowledged in our presence by the testator Nancy M. Payne to be his last will and testament, and at his request and in his presence we here subscribe our names as witnesses thereunto.
John M. Laughlin
W. B. Emwine

For Probate see Will T. Call R.

Last Will of Euphemia J. Boyce

I Euphemia J. Boyce being weak in body but sound in mind, do hereby make this my last will and testament.

First - I desire & will that all expenses that I have incurred or may yet incur in consequence of my sickness be paid out of my ready money.

Second - I leave and bequeath for the benefit of Breckins College one hundred dollars to come out of my ready money.

Third - I leave and bequeath to my beloved mother M. B. Boyce & my beloved brother R. B. Boyce two thirds of my interest in the undivided part of my deceased Father's land. One third of the above to go to my mother the other two thirds to go to my brother R. B. Boyce.

Fourth - I leave & bequeath the remaining third of my interest in said land of my beloved Father deceased to my beloved brother William C. Boyce, Edgar C. Bowen, Cula J. Calhoun and Charles C. Calhoun each of the above named to share and to share alike.

Fifth - It is my desire and will that the portion aforesaid willed to my minor nephews Cula J. Calhoun and Charles C. Calhoun be left in the hands and under the control of my mother during their minority.

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Sixth If there should be any surplus of the ready money when all my expenses are paid & the hundred dollars given to the College - It is my will that said surplus be divided among all the legatees named in this my will in the same proportion as my interest in the said fund.

Signed and sealed this 17th day of November in the year of our Lord 1883

Euphemia J. Boyce

Witness
J. E. Bull
A. E. Banks

See Minute Book "R"

"John Maley will"

In the name of God. Amen
I John Maley of the County of Dipton and State of Tennessee, being in sound mind, and good bodily health and knowing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, do make and publish this as my last and will and testament hereby making and making void all other wills heretofore made by me.

First. I desire as soon after my death as possible that all of my just debts shall be paid -

and I will and bequeath to my son James S. Maley the sum of One Thousand and Twenty Seven dollars, it being the amount due me by my father-in-law James S. for money which I loaned him to which in paying for land purchased by him - and for which I now hold his receipt dated March 21st 1882. I desire that he shall account for said sum in the distribution of my estate.

Third. I will and bequeath to my son John W. Maley his heirs &c. a certain tract or parcel of land containing about eighty acres, be the same more or less, situated in the 14th civil district of Dipton County, the same purchased by me on the 3rd day of November 1881, from G. W. Smith, the deed to which is recorded in the Register's office of Dipton County in Book 28 pages 518 & 519. I value the above land at the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars and desire that my said son John W. shall account

John Maley will continue for that sum in the distribution of my estate -

Fourth I will and bequeath to my daughter Margaret S. Ralph wife of Robert Ralph her heirs &c a certain tract or parcel of land situated in the 1st civil district of Tipton County, and bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a stake in the Pillyuk road where the road makes a right angle running S 14° W. 3 chains and 26 links to a stake corner in Ralph Spence N 88° W. 28 chains and 80 links to a stake in James S. Maley east boundary line of the Browder tract Thence N 31° E. 3 chains & 26 links to a stake in the Pillyuk road corner as James S. Maley and Thence S. 88° E. with said road to 28 chains & 70 links to the beginning - containing by estimation 97 1/2 acres - I have already given to my said daughter Margaret S. by deed hitherto executed about Seventy Seven acres of land situated in said County of Tipton and which I consider together with the 97 1/2 acres herein bequeathed to reach the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars - I desire that my said daughter Margaret S. shall account for the said sum of Nine Hundred Dollars in the distribution of my estate.

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Fifth - I will and bequeath to my son A. S. Maley, as part of the tract or parcel of land which I purchased from P. S. Barrett and J. R. Sanford and known as the Bailey Sanford tract of land, said land is situated in Civil District Number One of Tipton County, and bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at the South east corner of the August Fredrickson tract on a stake running thence south 81° 30' and 16 links to my corner Thence N 89° 11' 3/4 poles to a stake in James S. Maleys line Thence N. 2. 20. with said line 44 poles and 17 links to his Northeast corner a stake with Sweet gum pointers, Thence N. 88° W. with his line 97 poles to a stake with poplar pointers, Thence with his line N. 2. 6. 33 1/4 poles to a stake with black gum and white oak pointers it being August Fredrickson's south west corner. Thence N. 89. 8 with his south line 211 poles to the beginning - containing Eighty two acres & the same more or less - I desire that my said son A. S. shall account for the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars in the distribution of my estate - as to value the above bequeathed tract of land at that amount.

Sixth - I will and bequeath to my son Walter S. Maley the following tract or parcel of land situated in Tipton County in the 1st civil district of said County and bounded and de-

John Maley will continue for that sum in the distribution of my estate -

Fourth I will and bequeath to my daughter Margaret S. Ralph wife of Robert Ralph her heirs &c a certain tract or parcel of land situated in the 1st civil district of Tipton County, and bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a stake in the Pillyuk road where the road makes a right angle, running S $1\frac{1}{4}$ W. 3 chains and 26 links to a stake corner on Ralph. Thence N 88° W. 28 chms and 88 links to a stake in James S. Maley east boundary line of the Browder tract. Thence N $3\frac{1}{2}$ E. 3 chains & 26 links to a stake in the Pillyuk road, corner on James S. Maley and Thence S 88° E. with said road to 28 chains & 70 links to the beginning - containing by estimation 97 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres - I have already given to my said daughter Margaret S. by deed heretofore executed about Seventy Seven acres of land situated in said County of Tipton and which I consider together with the 97 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres herein bequeathed to her the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars - I desire that my said daughter Margaret S. shall account for the said sum of Nine Hundred Dollars in the distribution of my estate.

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Fifth - I will and bequeath to my son E. S. Maley, a part of the tract or parcel of land which I purchased from R. B. Barret and J. R. Sanford and known as the Bailey Sanford tract of land. Said land is situated in Civil district Number One of Tipton County, and bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at the South east corner of the August Fredrickson tract on a stake - running thence south 81 poles and 16 links to my corner. Thence N 87° W. 119 $\frac{3}{4}$ poles to a stake in James S. Maley's line. Thence N 2° E. with said line 44 poles and 17 links to his Northeast corner a stake with street iron pointer. Thence N 88° W. with his line 99 poles to a stake with poplar pointer. Thence with his line N 2° E. 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ poles to a stake with black gum and white oak pointer it being August Fredrickson's south west corner. Thence N 88° E. with his south line 211 poles to the beginning - containing Eighty two acres & the same more or less - I desire that my said son E. S. shall account for the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars in the distribution of my estate - as to value the above bequeathed tract of land at that amount.

Sixth - I will and bequeath to my son Walter S. Maley the following tract or parcel of land situated in Tipton County in the 1st civil district of said County and bounded and described as follows to wit:

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Beginning at a post at the original Southeast corner of the whole tract on the North base line of the Hatchie connotation and running N. 30. 40 chains and 62 links to a stake corner on B.F. Locke, thence N. 84. W. with the center of the Piffurk road 78 chains and 46 links to a stake in said road, corner on B.F. Locke, thence S. 71. W. 70 chains and 87 links to a stake, corner in a field, thence N. 88 1/2. W. 10 chains and 90 links to a gate post corner on Ralph, thence S. 4. E. 22 chains and 12 links to a stake on fence, thence S. 88 1/2. E. 36 chains to the beginning - containing 138 ⁷⁵/₁₀₀ acres, be the same more or less. I value the above bequeathed tract at Fourteen Hundred dollars, and desire that my said son Walter L. shall account for that sum in the distribution of my estate -

Seventh, I will and bequeath to my son Robert S. Maley my home place containing One Hundred and fifty five acres, be the same more or less, the said tract is the same purchased by me from Edward J. Morgan on the 24th day of December 1866. The deed to which is recorded in the Register's office of Tipton County in Deed Book "P" pages 573 & 524. I value the same at the sum of Fifteen Hundred dollars.

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and desire that my said son Robert S. shall account for that sum in the distribution of my estate -

Eighth - I will and desire that all of my property both real and personal not included in the foregoing bequests, which I may die seized and possessed of, as soon after my death as practicable may be sold upon such terms as my personal representative shall approve and the proceeds after paying off and discharging all of my just debts and liabilities be applied first in making all of my said children equal in amounts received under this will and lastly, whatever amounts or balance remains, it shall be equally distributed among all of my said children, it being the intention and desire of this will that all of my said children shall share and share alike in the distribution of my property -

Ninth - I will and desire that should my property depreciate or lessen in value to such an extent that at the time of my death the full share of each child in my estate be less than Fifteen Hundred dollars, the same being the largest amount left to any one child under this will then and in that event, I will and desire that my sons W. S. Maley and Robert S. Maley shall only take One Hundred acres each

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of the tracts left or bequeathed
to them respectively. together with
all the improvements on the same
and I desire that each tract
so taken shall be valued at
the sum of One thousand dollars
and that the said M. L. & Robert &
shall each account for the
sum of one thousand dollars
in the distribution of my estate
Witness my hand and seal this
the 7th day of January 1893

John Moley (seal)

In the presence of the testator and
each other and at the request of
said John Moley we hereby certify
signed as witnesses the foregoing
instrument this the 7th day of Jan 1893
A. J. Baptist
R. H. Green

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Last Will of Margaret Simonton

In the name of God. Amen.

I Margaret Simonton
of the County of Tipton in the State
of Tennessee, being of sound mind
and memory, but of advanced age
and mindful of the great uncertain-
ty of life do make and declare
this my last will and testament
revoking all other wills heretofore
made by me at any time.

1st I direct that all my just debts
be paid.

2nd I have given to my daughter, Marga-
ret Lucinda Two hundred dollars
which I confirm to her and in addi-
tion I bequeath to her one secretary.

3rd I give and bequeath to my daughter
Martha Eliza Three hundred dollars
in money, one cow and calf, one pair
of blankets, and thirty dollars in
money instead of a bureau.

4th I give and bequeath my beds and
bed clothing, also my table and
kitchen furniture, to my daughter
Martha Eliza, and Margaret, the
same to be ~~divided~~ divided equally
between them.

5th I give and bequeath to M. L. Thompson
of Forrest City, Ark. the son of my de-
ceased daughter Jane, the sum of five
dollars in full of all interest or benefit
in my will and estate.

6th I direct that all the rest and residue
of my property, personal and real, be
sold, and the proceeds thereof, together with
any moneys that I may die possessed

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of which are not otherwise ^{being} disposed of, be divided into ~~equal~~ shares and distributed as follows: one of such shares to Margaret Wilson, daughter of my son Archibald Simonton, one of such shares to the heirs of my deceased son, Christopher J. and one of such shares to the heirs of my deceased son Robert Romaine, and one of such shares to each of my sons, John, William B. and Charles J. or, either of my said sons be dead, then to the heirs of such deceased son.

Provided, That if the share provided for in this item (4) shall exceed two hundred dollars each, then my daughter Margaret shall share and take with each of my children, and heirs of my children, in this item provided for in this case over two hundred dollars - it being my intention if the share provided for in this item shall exceed two hundred dollars, she shall be made equal to them, combining the two hundred dollars given heretofore and confirmed to her.

7th I appoint my son John Simonton to be the executor of this my last will and testament; and clothe and invest him with full power to sell and dispose of all my real as well as personal estate, where situated, especially that located in the state of Texas.

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and to execute conveyance therefor this authority and power of sale I design to be as full and ample as I myself possess, such sale to be made without the intervention of any court, and either public or private, as he my said executor may deem best, I furthermore exonerate the said John Simonton from making bond as the executor of this my last will in any court, both in the state of Tennessee and Texas.

8th I furthermore appoint my son Wm. B. Simonton Co-executor with the said John Simonton of this my last will and testament, with like powers, duties, and privileges in all respects, but I do not impose upon him the duty of acting as such executor except in case of the death or inability of my said son John Simonton - In testimony of all of which I sign here to my name on this 17th day of March 1883

Margaret ^{her} Simonton
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The above and foregoing written instrument, was signed by the said Margaret Simonton in our presence, and she declared the same to be her last Will and Testament, and we at her request and in her presence sign our names hereto as subscribing witnesses on this 17th day of March 1883

Chas B. Simonton
A. D. Lucado
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Will of A. J. McCullough

A. J. McCullough
being of sound mind do make
and publish this as my last will
and testament, hereby revoking
and declaring void all other wills
of any time made by me.

I desire that all of my just debts
be paid out of first moneys coming
into the hands of my Executor
hereinafter named.

I desire that my said Executor
as soon after my death as
possibly shall sell all of my
property, real and personal,
except my household & kitchen
furniture, and my bay mare
upon such terms as he may think
best, and I hereby empower and
confer upon all the necessary
authority to make and execute
deeds to any of my real sold
premises.

I desire that three fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) of
all of my estate when converted
into cash, or money as above di-
rected shall be invested by my
said Executor in land the deeds
to which shall be taken in the
name of my two sons J. R. McCullough
and James M. McCullough as joint
owners and tenants in common.
I desire that my Mother Mrs C. B.
McCullough shall have a home as
long as she lives with my two
said sons & with them be supported
out of my estate.

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I desire that the residue of my estate
after the investment in land shall
be loaned out from time to time by
my said Executor as trustee & shall in-
come therefrom paid towards the
support and maintenance of my two
sons and mother.

I desire that my Mother shall have
the use and control of my household
& kitchen furniture.

I give and bequeath to my brother
W. A. McCullough my bay mare five
years old with hump at leg.

I hereby appoint as my Executor and
also testamentary Guardian of my
children my friend Nathan H. C.
Cormack, of Daphn County & request
him to accept of the same.

Thus the 20th Mch 1884

A. J. McCullough

We the undersigned in the pres-
ence of each other and at the
request of the testator hereunto affix
our names as witnesses to the
foregoing will. This the 20th
Mch 1884

G. B. Gillespie
Hugh Lewis

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P. H. Mumfords Will

As I, Richard H. Mumford of
Dipton County Tenn. am now far
advanced in age, and it is soon
to leave home, to be absent some
times I think it right and proper
to leave some directions in the
shape of a will, as to the settlement
and division of my estate in the
event that I never return.

In the first place I wish my son-
in-law Geo. D. Holmes, and my
friend Capt R. J. Wood to act,
and I do hereby appoint them
as executors of this my will; and
as I have full confidence in their
integrity, I do not wish in their
qualification any bond or security
to be required of them, or any
inventory returned; or settlement to
be made by them or executors
with any clerk, or court. And I
direct that my said executors
shall have such reasonable com-
pensation out of my estate for their
services in settling it up as may
be agreed upon with my children.
In the next place I wish, and
direct that all my just debts be paid as
soon as can conveniently be done after
my death, and to raise means for that
purpose I desire all debts due to me
that can, to be collected as soon as
practicable, and I also give to my
said executors, full power and au-
thority to sell off and convey by
good and valid titles a suffi-
cient sum of any or my property, and

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otherwise disposed of, either real or
personal, that they in their judgment
may think best and that will most
readily command the best price
or nearest its value, and I prefer that
they sell at private rather than public
sale particularly real estate.

I wish all the up above lot bought
by me of Mr. Fisher, lying north of
and adjoining, and not now enclosed
in the cemetery being about two acres
when and as necessary to be added
to the cemetery, and for that purpose
I do give and bequeath said lot
to the Mayor & Aldermen of the town
of Covington and their successors
in office by them to be held in
trust for that purpose & none other
and upon the following terms and con-
ditions, that is to say
no part of said lot or land, is to be
taken in or added to said cemetery,
untill all of the family lots and
ground now enclosed, and all of
that on the outside at the south end
bought by said Mayor & Aldermen
from J. W. Shelton trustee &c that is
suitable and can be used for family
lots and burial purposes, has been
taken up and appropriated, then
the said land herein bequeathed is
as necessity may require to be added
to the cemetery not more than half
an acre at any one time, or untill
that is disposed of or used, and so on
untill all is enclosed. The said Mayor
and Aldermen are to have the suit-
able portion of said land

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 laid off into lots and dispose of
 the same for family purposes and
 burial, and the proceeds of all
 such sales to be held and applied
 as follows - first is a Confederate
 soldiers Monument, shall within
 20 years from this date be
 erected on the Cemetery lot, a
 fund of \$250⁰⁰ out of such sales
 shall be applied to aid in the
 erection of said Monument, and
 if no Monument is built within
 said time, then all the proceed
 arising from the sales of said
 property to be forever applied
 and used for the improvement
 and keeping said Cemetery in
 good order, and for no other
 purpose whatever. all the mis-
 portion of my addition to this
 Cemetery I retain.

I give and bequeath to my
 daughter M. E. Hall, the Piano
 all the provisions that may be
 on hand, all the cooking
 utensils and tableware and
 all such other of the household
 furniture as they may wish to
 keep to be equally divided between
 my two daughters the said M. E.
 Hall & S. E. Holmes.

As trustee under the will of my
 sister Martha E. Mumford, she
 came into my hands at dif-
 ferent times, for my two daughters
 about \$1000⁰⁰. I paid and fur-
 nished to each of them in

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money and spent for them in their
 education and in other ways, an amount
 not above what I said spent for,
 or gave to either of my sons - at least
 equal to each of of my said daughters
 share of said fund, so to make them
 equal with my sons. I don't think
 I owe them anything on account of
 said fund.

All the balance of my estate, of
 every kind and description not herein
 disposed of, or needed in the payment
 of my debts, I wish to be equally divi-
 ded, between my four children, or
 the legal offspring of any of them
 that may be dead at the time of said
 division, to have the share of such dead
 parent, said division to be made at
 such time and in such manner
 either by sale of any of the property
 or otherwise, as they or a majority of
 them may agree upon.

In witness of all which I do hereby
 subscribe my name, this 18th day of
 February A. D. 1883.

R. H. Mumford

In dividing my estate I should
 like if it could be done for my
 daughter, Emma to have my home
 place or residence, should it
 amount to more than her share
 (which I think will be the case)
 the land back of the orchard and
 also a lot between the branch and
 wall might be sold off, or if she
 prefers it and the entire place

R. H. Mumford will continued

can be sold to advantage, that
might be done and the Col. Hall
place in which I own a third
interest bought for him.

This 8th Feby 1883

R. H. Mumford

Acknowledged in our
presence this day and
date above written

J. B. Leslie
Richd. S. Bant
J. W. Sumner

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William Campbells will

Aug 10th 1881

State of Tennessee
DePue County

I William Camp-
bell being of sound mind do
make this my last will and testament.
Let my body be buried in a plain
unexpensive manner; then let all
my honest debts, if any be paid.
I do give and bequeath to my wife
Kizer my entire estate both real estate
and personal property, with all the rights
powers and privileges which I possess.
She shall have the right to use, rent
or sell any part of, or all of the same,
and to use for reinvest the proceeds of
same as she may deem best for the
interest of herself and my three
children born of her; viz. Florence
Nightingale, William and Margaret
Elizabeth, and a deed with her signature
to any part, or all of my real estate
shall secure to the purchaser all the
rights and privileges which I have
the power to convey. She my said
wife shall have the above rights
and powers so long as she remains
my widow, but my real estate shall
not be sold for any debts which she
may contract. But if she marries
another man then let all my real
estate & personal property be sold
and the proceeds of same be equally
divided between my wife Kizer and
my three children above named.

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But if my wife ~~after~~ remains my widow till her death then let whatever remains of my ~~real~~ estate be equally divided between my three children above named or so many of them as may be living at that time. But if my three children shall all die without children of their own, then I do give to my wife ~~after~~ my real estate and personal property, to be her own forever.

I do appoint my beloved wife the Executrix to this my last will and testament

William Campbell

Witness
F. M. Smith
J. B. Campbell

See Minute Book "B"

James Mays Hill

State of Tennessee
Rutherford County

Being fully apprised of the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, and being desirous to dispose of my property as hereinafter mentioned, I James Mays do constitute, ordain and declare this my last will and testament to wit:

To my wife Mary A. Mays during her natural life, I do bequeath the one third interest of my estate, both personal and real, said real estate to embrace and include the homestead with all the other improvements to hold the same during her life & at her death I desire that said one third interest shall be turned over to the executrix of this my last will & testament and shall be managed & controlled as the balance of my estate. It is my desire and I do hereby appoint my daughter Pernie F. Mays executrix of this my last will and testament and that she shall not be required to give bond and security.

To my daughter Pernie F. Mays I do bequeath the remaining two thirds of my estate both real & personal during her natural or maiden life after paying my debts, and I also desire that my debts shall be paid out of any moneys that may be on hand at my death, in the event there is none on hand then I desire that all and sufficient of my personal property

James Mayo will continue
shall be paid for the purpose of paying
said debts and in the event that
the personal property is insufficient
then I desire that she may be allowed
two years in which to pay said
debts.

4th After all my debts are paid
I desire that the said Permie A.
Mayo shall manage my estate to the
best advantage so as to secure her
a comfortable support and in
the event there is a surplus after
allowing such support then such
surplus I desire to be equally divi-
ded between each and all of my
hirs at the end of each year.
At the death of said Permie A. Mayo
or at any time previous to his death
with his consent and approval
the whole of said estate may be
sold and on that event the
proceeds of said sale shall be
equally and jointly divided
between each and all of my hirs
to wit: Albro Mayo, Sallie E. Reed,
Lucian Mayo, Jr. Henry J. W. Mayo
and Lania J. Cockhill,
diligently whereof I have hereto
affixed my name this 2nd day
of August A.D. 1879.

James Mayo

Attest
A. S. Olson
D. S. Ellis
J. C. Cooper

M. P. R.

John D. Anderson Will

State of Tennessee

Deputy County

I John D. Anderson
being of sound mind and disposing
memory knowing the present and future
of this present life in the fear of God
do make and publish this my last
will and testament hereby revoking
all others made by me.
Item the first. It is my will and desire
after my burial expenses and all my
just debts are paid that my estate
be disposed of as follows:

To my beloved wife Mary Anderson
I give and bequeath a certain part of
my personal property to be with as she
pleases after one year's provision is laid
off out of it by commissioners
selected by my wife and my executors
hereto named.

Item second. I herein give and bequeath
to my wife Mary Anderson one third
of my real estate including my residence
during her natural life or widowhood
and at her death or marriage to go to
my children share and share alike
Item the third. I hereby give and bequeath
unto my children all the residue of
my estate real and personal and
that of all description share and
share alike and if any of the children
die before I do leaving child or child-
ren they shall take their parents
share as descended it being my
purpose to make all my children
equal in the division of my
estate in this my last will and testament.

John B. Anderson will, Continued

Item 4. It is my will and desire that my son Arthur D. Anderson be guardian for my younger child or children by my present wife.

Item 5th. I hereby nominate and appoint my sons Andrew J. Anderson and Arthur D. Anderson executors of this my last will and testament and it is my desire and I so order my executors to divide or sell or a division the real estate herein bequeathed to my children as in their judgment they may see fit and they are fully empowered to execute deeds to purchasers or in the division to lay off to the minor children their portions without the intervention of the Court as the expenses will take a large part of what I have to give the children.

It is further my will and desire that my said executors be not required to give any bond or security having all confidence in their skill and in their integrity in the management of the estate, in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal. This the 25th day of November 1859

J. B. Anderson

Witnesses

J. M. Forbes

J. A. Chapman
(M. A. "R.")

R. B. Wright's will

In the name of God. Amen.

I, R. B. Wright, being in a weak & feeble state of body but sound in mind, do make this my last will and testament.

I will that all my debts shall be paid.

It is my earnest will and desire that my beloved little family, consisting of my beloved wife Margaret R. Wright, my beloved mother Elizabeth Wright & my nephew James Hunter Wright remain as formerly on the place making a support there. And it is my earnest hope and prayer that they will agree and get along smoothly in all their affairs and dealings with each other. This my will is to secure my beloved mother Elizabeth Wright a home on the place as long as she lives and a sufficient annual support from the crops and income of the place just as she had been maintained by me.

In case the family cannot & do not agree to live together as a family working together, it is my will that all my property, personal & real estate after my debts are paid be divided equally between my beloved wife Margaret R. Wright & my nephew James Hunter Wright each to share and to share alike thereof & of the family should fail to live & work together as expressed in this my will & the division spoken of in Item 8th

R. B. Wright's will Continued

should take place as specified therein. Then it is my will that the care of my beloved Mother be committed to my Nephew James Hunter Wright and that her support shall come out of his portion of my estate.

Fifth I hereby nominate Mr S. A. Wright as Executor of this my will.

In witness hereof I have hereunto subscribed my Name & affix my seal this 23rd day of September in the year of our Lord 1884

R. B. Wright

Witnesses
Mary W. Wright
H. M. Banker

M. R. "P"

Mabrum Stevens Will

Know all men by these presents that J. Mabrum Stevens of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being infirm in body but sound in mind and in view of the uncertainty of life make this my last will and testament.

It is my will that all my estate both real and personal of every description be left in possession of my wife Nancy Stevens for her use and benefit so long as she may live and it is my will that her sister Minnetta Steward live with her & should she Mrs Steward be the longest lived then all of the property to be possessed by her to have and to hold during her natural life and at her death it is my will that John W. Maclin whom I hereby appoint as my executor proceed to sell said property on such terms as he may think best either publicly or privately as his discretion may dictate and out of the proceeds of sale to appropriate ~~from four hundred to six hundred~~ ^{four hundred} dollars to represent all of one grant and should my executor not survive my wife & her sister then I will that Mr Jas. N. Maclin act as my Executor in carrying out this my will. And whatever remains of proceeds of sale of the property after paying said Executor's fees should it be my will that said Executor pay to the elders of the Presbyterian Church at Mason

Mabum Stevens Will (Continued)

for the use and benefit of that Church
Witness my hand this 14th day of
October 1884.

It is my wish that in the event that
the Executors mentioned in this my
will should die before the decease
both of the legatees mentioned, that
the Elders of the Presbyterian Church
at Mason, appoint an Executor
to act in the case,

Mabum ^{his} Stevens
witness
Oct 10th 1884
Lehas T. Bookher
R. D. Machin

M. B. "C" 405

N. L. Blackwells Will

I N. L. Blackwell do make this
my last will and testament, hereby
repealing all other wills heretofore made
by me.

It is my will that all my just debts
be paid out of the first moneys coming
into the hands of my personal representa-
tives hereinafter named.
That any and all property real or
personal of which I may be possessed
be converted into money as soon after
my death as practicable and the
proceeds, together with all other moneys
remaining in the hands of my personal
representatives after the satisfaction of
my debts, be paid over to my
Mother Mary J. Blackwell of Buckingham
County, State of Virginia, to her sole
and separate use free from the con-
trol, habilitations, debts & control
of her husband, to be disposed of by
her as if she were a female single.
I designate and appoint N. L.
Baptist executors of this my will
reposing trust in the execution
of said said security, as I have
implicit confidence in his
integrity.
Witness my hand this August
11th 1877.

N. L. Blackwell

M. B. "C"

Will of Rosanna Morse

I, Rosanna Morse, make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking, and making void all others 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 die possessed of or that may hereafter come into the hands of my executor.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Jane Anderson all the property real, personal and mixed of which I may be possessed, or in which I may, or may hereafter have any right, title, claim or interest of any kind whatsoever; and I especially give and bequeath to my said daughter Mary Jane Anderson my entire interest in any money and other properties that may be realized or recovered, either by compromise or otherwise in the cause of H. D. Blackwell, Administrator of the Estate of C. O. & M. R. R. Company now pending in the Circuit Court of Tippecanoe County, Indiana. I appoint W. B. R. my executor.

Witness my hand this 29th day of March 1884. Rosanna Morse
Signed and published in our presence & we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the testatrix.
This the 2nd day of April 1884.

W. B. "R."

Will of Martha A. Sherrill

State of Tennessee
Sept. County

I, Martha A. Sherrill of said County and State and by occupation a farmer make this my last will. I give devise and bequeath my estate and property real and personal as follows. That is to say: The place in which Dracy Adams now lives containing about One Hundred & Eighty Acres, I devise to my daughter Ida L. Adams and her heirs, it being a part of the original tract of land that my husband Sidney B. Sherrill owned and possessed at the time of his death. The place on which J. P. Carey now lives I devise to my daughter Annie B. Carey and her heirs, containing about One Hundred and twenty acres, it also being a part of the original tract of land that my husband Sidney B. Sherrill owned and possessed at the time of his death. All of said lands lying and situated in the 8th Civil District of said County and State and was sold by an order of the County Court of said County.

The place or tract of land known as the Still place in the 1st Civil District of said County and State containing about Two Hundred and twenty acres about three miles south east of Covington in said

M. A. Sherill Will continued

County and on the Covington and
Mason road, I divide equally
between my son Stett Sherill
and my daughter Nora Sherill
and their heirs at my death.
The personal property which
I may possess I bequeath to my
four children herein named
equally at the time of my death.
And I do hereby appoint Gracey
Adams and Robert Hall of
said County and State and
occupation (Farmers) executors
of this my last will in-
witness whereof I have signed
and sealed and published and
declared this instrument
as my will at the residence
of Gracey Adams on the 24th
day of November 1879.

M. A. Sherill (read)

The said Martha A. Sherill
at said residence of Gracey Adams
on said day the 24th day of
November 1879 signed and sealed
this instrument and published
and declared the same as and for
her last will and we at her
request and in her presence, and
in the presence of each other now
present, witnessed our names and
subscribing witnesses this 24th
day of November 1879.

Attestation
J. C. M. Fisher
A. J. J. J. J.
E. J. J. J.

J. B. R

The last will and Testament of John Simonson.

I, John Simonson of the County
of Ripton and State of Tennessee
being of sound mind and disposing
memory do make and publish this my
last will and Testament

Item 1st I direct that my executor shall collect
the debts due to my estate and pay all
my just debts out of the 1st money's
that may come to his hands.

Item 2nd I have heretofore advanced to my
sons Robt. C. and John M. Simonson
such amounts as I think it proper
and right for them to have of my estate
and consequently intend to make no bequest
or devise to ~~these~~ ^{them} heirs.

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my son Wil-
liam A. the sum of two hundred dol-
lars to be paid him by my executor.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my wife
Martha all of my personal property
of every kind and description including
notes money and effects not otherwise herein
disposed of to be hers absolutely; and
I likewise give to her my tract of
land on which I now reside in the 5th
civil district of said County and State
including the whole of my said
place for and during her natural life.

Item 5th I will and devise to my son James
L. and my daughter Mary A. ^{as tenants}
in common equally my said tract of
land on which we live in fee,
it being my intention to give now
to my said son and daughter my

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said homestead encumbered however with the life estate of their mother.

Item 4th I will and devise to my sons Christopher A. and Charles J. all of my land in the state of Texas in fee as tenants in common equally to my undivided interest in a tract of about 640 acres in Dallas County Texas, it being my intention to give to my said sons all my land and all my interest in any land I may have in said state of Texas.

Item 5th I will to my son Christopher A. my horse Colman, and to my son Charles J. my black colt Bill but be in the custody and possession of my wife and to be given to each of my sons as he arrives at the age of 21 years.

Item 6th I direct that none of my personal property be sold by my executor unless it becomes necessary to do so to pay my debts and the money bequest herein made.

Item 7th I hereby nominate and appoint my friend and kinsman C. B. Simonton the executor of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand at this 10th day of February 1878

John Simonton

We sign hereto in the presence of the testator and at his request as the witnesses of his last will and testament this 15th day of February 1878

Dr. W. C. McClinton.

W. McClinton

The last Will & Testament of Simons Coward

State of Tennessee County of Rutherford
I Simons Coward of the State & County aforesaid I hereby make this my last will and testament I give to my wife Sallie Coward during her life time all my property both Real and Personal consisting of house & lot in Alton and a tract of land lying in Dick's Cove of said County. Mules, Horses, Cows, Stocks of Hogs, Ducks, Crops and every other article belonging to me in this or any other State to Sallie Coward during her life time, but not to be touched by her, and at the death of my wife Sallie Coward all of said property is to be the property of his two children I do M & Edgar H. Coward and they are to have and to have said property and I being of sound mind and this being my last will and Testament. I hereby sign my name this the 8th day of September 1880

Witnesses

J. L. Walker

Attorney General

Bocher & Collins

Simons Coward
myself

Admitted to Probate September 8th 1880
J. E. Minn. Book 8 Page 200

The last Will & Testament of Geo. T. Taylor

Being of sound mind and memory of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death; I make this my last will and Testament, I hereby give and bequeath to my grand daughter Mrs. Sallie H. Hordman of Lepton County Kansas whatever property I possess; both real and personal, and whatever may be collected from any claims I possess in testimony whereof I have this day (the 9th of March 1885) affixed my signature

Witness
Geo. T. Taylor
A. D. Clements
Lavina Williams

Admitted to Probate Oct term 1885
Minute Book 3 Page 319

Last will and Testament of J. C. Carter

In the name of God Amen

I John C. Carter being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made

First I direct that my funeral expenses and also my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of

Second I give and bequeath to my wife Margaret J. Carter all of my property both real and personal to be for her support her life time and her at death all of said property to go to my son James J. Carter

In testimony whereof I do set my hand and seal on this 4th day of October 1883

Attest

S. R. Drummonds
Wm. F. Cooper

John C. Carter (Jr.)
mark

Admitted to Probate July term 1885
Minute Book 3 Page 106

The last will and testament of G. W. Day

In the name of God Amen.

I George W. Day of the town of Humboldt Liberty County and State of Kansas being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make ordain and declare this to be my last will and testament -

First I give and bequeath to my new beloved wife, Martha Day during her natural life, One third of my entire personal and real estate, And at her death to be equally divided between all my children share and share alike, And that portion that my daughter may be entitled to I give and bequeath to her for her sole benefit, And at her death to the heirs of their body.

Second I give and bequeath the remaining two thirds of my estate (both personal and real) to my children (to be divided if practicable without sale of property) each and sharing alike, after my four eldest children to wit George & F. Day, Margaret Elo Perry, Sarah P. J. Perry and Anne F. W. Day, shall each one have accounted for fourteen hundred dollars that I give them apiece And amounting in the aggregate to five thousand six hundred dollars, That portion of my estate that may be set apart to my three youngest children to wit Charles O. Day, Martha O. Day, and John G. Day I direct to remain as common stock, his or her portion to be drawn on set apart by Commissioners appointed by the Court having jurisdiction as each one marries or becomes of age.

For fear of any misdirection of the foregoing portion of this my last will, And feeling very sensibly the importance of protecting my daughter against want and misfortune as far as possible

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I wish is distinctly understood that no portion of my estate is to be controlled or disposed of in any way by the husbands of my daughters now married or of the two youngest daughters in the event that they should marry but in every instance what I have given to my daughter shall be theirs and at their death shall descend to the heirs of their body.

I hereby appoint my well beloved wife my executor, and direct the Court having jurisdiction in such cases to appoint a Trustee for the minor children, And for the protection of all my daughters in their rights, And for carrying out my will in letter and spirit.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 9th day of Feb'y 1881

Witness

M. H. Johnson

W. J. McFarland

G. W. Day

Admitted to Probate Nov term 1881
Minute Book B Page 343

The last and testament of E. W. Day decd.

In the name of God Amen

I George W. Day of the town of Humboldt-Litew County and State of Minnesota being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make ordain and declare this to be my last will and testament—

First I give and bequeath to my wife below a wife Martha Day during her natural life, One third of my entire personal and real estate, and at her death to be equally divided between all my children and share also, and that portion that my daughter may be entitled to I give and bequeath to them for their sole benefit, and at their death to the heirs of their body.

Second I give and bequeath the remaining two thirds of my estate (both personal and real) to my children (to be divided if practicable without sale of property) each and sharing also, after my four eldest children to wit Alongs J. F. Day, Marquah, Ed Perry, Sarah P. J. Perry and Laura F. W. Day, share each one have accounted for fourteen hundred dollars that I give them apiece and amounting in the aggregate to five thousand six hundred dollars, that portion of my estate that may be set apart to my three youngest children to wit Charles P. Day, Martha D. Day and Dora E. Day I direct to remain as common stock, his or her portions to be drawn on as and by Commissioners appointed by the Court having jurisdiction as each one marries or becomes of age.

For fear of any misconstruction of the foregoing portions of this my last will, and a feeling very sensibly the importance of protecting my daughter against want and misfortune as far as possible

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I hereby appoint my well beloved wife my executrix, and direct the Court having jurisdiction in such cases to appoint a Trustee for the minor children, and for the protection of all my daughters in their rights, and for carrying out my will in letter and spirit.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 9th day of Feb'y 1891
attest
E. W. Day (Signed)

M. H. Johnson
W. J. McFarland

Admitted to Probate Nov term 1888
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Last Will & Testament
of John A. Hilton

Know all men by these presents that I John A. Hilton of Benton and State of Arkansas being in sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made 1st I hereby constitute and appoint my wife Emma R. Hilton to be the sole executrix of last will directing my said executrix to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses out of my Estate 2nd and for the payment of all debts and for the purpose of caring for our two children as she may deem best as circumstances may arise I give unto my wife full and complete controul of all the rest of my property after paying all just debts and funeral expenses. To have and to hold or sell and dispose of as she may consider to be for the best interest of the loved ones left behind giving her the right to transfer and all real estate as she may consider for her best interest without any legal hindrance what

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Trusting to her sense of justice and honor entirely to see that the same will be used in a just and equitable manner to aid in maintaining the family left behind In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in the presence of the witnesses named below this 23rd day of February 1886
John A. Hilton

Signed published and declared by the said John A. Hilton as and for his last will and testament in his presence and in the presence of each other and at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto
E. O. Gravett,
W. B. Foster

State of Arkansas

County of Benton

Be it remembered that on this 23rd day of March 1886 personally appeared before me John Black Clerk of the Probate Court of Benton County Arkansas and duly authorized by law to take the proof of wills and give certified thereof Eugene O. Gravett and W. B. Foster two witnesses who were present and ~~saw~~ ^{saw}

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Thomas A. Hilton sign his name to the attached instrument of writing purporting to be his last will and testament who after being duly sworn according to law that the testimony they should give as touching the execution of said will should be the truth testifies as follows

We were present and saw at the residence of Thos A. Hilton Beed him sign his name to said instrument of writing which he declared to be his last will and testament in our presence and hearing and that the said Thos A. Hilton Beed at the time he executed said instrument of writing of sound mind and memory and over the age of 21 years. Said instrument was carefully considered by the said Thos A. Hilton Beed and previous to its execution and he said the provisions fully expressed his wish and desires and intentions and that we are not interested either directly or indirect in said will.

And that he called upon us to witness his signing of said will

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In witness whereof we have this 25 day of March 1886

set our hands and seals
E. P. Frawell
W. B. Foster

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 25 day of March A.D. 1886
John Black
Clerk

State of Arkansas

County of Benton

I John Black
Clerk of Benton Co Court
Arkansas and officior Clerk
of the Probate Court of Benton
County Arkansas do hereby
Certify that the within is
a true perfect and complete
copy of the will and probate
of Thos A. Hilton as was
probate before me on the 25 day
of March A.D. 1886 and duly
recorded in Record of wills
B on page 523.

Witness my hand & official
seal this 28 March A.D. 1886
John Black
Clerk