

Richard Carr's Will.

that I may die peaceable or may first come into the hands of my
executors.

Secondly— I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha Carr
all my estate both real and personal together with all monies that
may be in hand and that may be coming to me by note or otherwise
at the time of my death, received, ~~received~~ and peaceable and used
by her as she may choose during her natural life or widowhood.
It is also my will that at her death or marriage that all
my personal property be sold in twelve months credit by my
executors hereafter named with the exception of my two negroes
Elijah and Hannah which I will dispose of otherwise. It
is also my will that the plantation on which I now live at the
death or marriage of my wife be sold by my executors in
one and two years credit, so as to collect one half of the money
in one year and the other in two years from the time of sale.
It is also my will that my two negroes Elijah and Hannah
at the death or marriage of my wife be valued equal to cash
in hand by two or three disinterested men who may be judges
of such property at the time and that their valuation be added
to the amount of sale money and the aggregate amount be equal-
ly divided among all my children share and share alike that
is to say Susan Elizabeth Africa Samuele Moy Lucina and
Richard G. It is also my will that my son Africa Carr shall
take my negro man Elijah at his valuation and if said negro
should amount to more in value than his equal share of the property
as sold and valued then he must pay back to the rest of my children
so as to make them all equal, and if his valuation should be less than
his equal share then he must be made equal to the rest of my chil-
dren. It is also my will that my son Richard G. Carr take
my negro girl Hannah on the same terms and in the same man-
ner that Africa is to take my negro man Elijah, with the excep-
tion that if she should have any children before the death or mar-
riage of my wife then my will is that they go among my children
or any of them that will give the most for them letting the price
or them go out of their part of the money so as letting them all
equal.

Lastly I do hereby appoint Africa Carr and James Carr
my two sons executors of this my last will and testament in
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
27th day of October 1835.

Richard Carr (Seal)

Signed and acknowledged in presence of
Abraham Taylor &c The foregoing will was proven in open
court before the Court and recorded.

John C. Harris' Will.

In the name of God Amen

John C. Harris of the County
of Washington and State of Virginia being of sound mind and
usual memory through affliction, for the disposition of the por-
tion of goods with which my Heavenly Father hath blessed me
and bequeathed I have procured to my children hereafter, to
have made and some I do deem it right to make and constitute
the following instrument of writing my last will and testament
in manner and form following.

First— I recommend my soul to the mercy of God through
the all sufficient and meritorious death and suffering of the
ever blessed Jesus Christ by whose constant mediation and interces-
sion, and through an unshaken faith therein I have received
life and grace.

Secondly— I submit my body to the dust its natural element to
rest in silence until the morning of the resurrection when
I know I shall be quickened and fashioned according to the
image of Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

Thirdly— For the support and maintenance of my dear
wife Sarah Harris and one dependent daughter Sarah C. Har-
rison, I will and bequeath unto them during the natural life
of my wife all the real estate on the river, over wagon, two
horse teams, drag and shuck, the growing and all the farming
tools, six milk cows, all the hogs subject to the exceptions hereafter
made.

Fourthly— I have given to my eldest son George A. Harris in
cash and property hereafter the sum of two hundred and twenty
three dollars and fifty cents with which he stands charged on
my book, this book debt I will and bequeath unto him and
in addition thereto one hundred and eleven dollars to be paid
and paid over to him at the time come in the man-
ner hereafter mentioned; this is his portion in full.

Fifthly— To my son Brampton C. Harris I gave a quarter acre
of land in town of Soudersburg on which there was a house and
in fifty dollars to William Bryan his account with said Bryan
about I paid him in consequence of two years and six months he
rendered me and also that of any of my other debts
owed to him. I gave in property unto him the sum of one
hundred and thirty four dollars and eighty eight cents which
he is charged unto on my book, this amount I will
and bequeath unto him and in addition thereto I have
the sum of two hundred and twenty three dollars and fifty cents

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ten cents to be paid and raised as hereafter provided. This is his portion in full.

Sixthly - To my daughter Mary & Leaphen I have given unto her the sum of three hundred and eighty four dollars and fifty cents including the third part of the house and lot Leaphen occupies which she stands charged with in my will. This amount I will unto her as her portion in full.

Seventhly - To my son William A. Harris I have advanced or given the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars and seventy five cents. This sum I will unto him and I also will unto him one hundred and sixty three dollars and seven four cents to be raised and paid ~~him~~ in the manner and at the time hereafter mentioned. This will make the amount of his portion in full.

Eighthly - To my son James A. Harris I have advanced and executed dollars in paper with which he is charged on my book. This sum advanced I will and bequeath unto his daughter Sarah A. Harris and in addition thereto I will unto her the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars and fifty cents to be raised and paid to her in the manner and at the time hereafter mentioned.

Ninthly - To my son John W. Harris I have advanced and given him the sum of two hundred ninety two dollars and ninety seven cents. This sum in book account I will unto him, and in addition thereto I will unto him ninety one dollars and fifty three cents which is his portion in full, equal to the other three.

Tenethly - To my daughter Sarah Ann W. Harris I have advanced or given the sum of thirty eight dollars as appears on my book. This sum on book account I will unto her, and in addition thereto and besides what provision is made for her in the article providing for her until her mother's death I will and bequeath unto her all the landed possessions which the wood trading firm of Joel Crocker to Robt. W. Harris during her life or state of celibacy, but if she marry then she has no claim to be landed possessions but she is to share as any other children. She is to have no more claim to said land during her natural life than is mentioned in the article providing for her and her mother.

Eleventhly - To my daughter Miranda Hunter I have advanced or given as appears on my book the sum of three hundred and eighty four dollars and fifty cents. This sum on book account I will unto her being her portion in full.

Twelfthly - To my son Alexander A. Harris I have advanced

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or given the sum of one hundred and twenty two dollars as property as appears on my book. This sum I will unto him and in addition thereto I will unto him two hundred sixty two dollars and fifty cents to be raised and paid to him in the manner and at the time hereafter mentioned.

Thirteenth - To my son John A. Harris I have advanced or given the sum of ninety five dollars in property as charged on my book. This sum I will unto him together with the advances that shall be hereafter mentioned.

Fourteenth - The exception alluded to in item third concerning my wife's portion is as follows. To my son John W. Harris, he shall have the produce of the Drake farm for nine crops commencing with the crop of eighteen hundred and forty two for the first crop and ending on the first day of December fifteen hundred and fifty, not free except the Swamp land that Joseph Hunter cleared that to be under the control of my wife Sarah and to return that part of the farm back to the estate at least in as good farming order as it is at the present or if he choose pay to the estate the valuation of the injury sustained on said farm, but should a remainder or remains where he is he is not to rent or let it to any person, but when he ceases to cultivate it himself, I shall return back to the estate and be under the control of Sarah my wife as the other part of said land or estate.

Fifteenth - I authorize my son John W. Harris as long as it may comport with his convenience and meet the will and pleasure of my wife Sarah to take the superintendence of all the property alluded to my wife and Sarah A. Harris and see that it is managed and apply in a good and economical manner for their support, and in case said widow Sarah survive more than in that case I order that the trust be discharged by Joseph Hunter my son-in-law.

Sixteenth - Now as my son Edwin mentioned in item thirteenth has not finished his education I order and appoint that there be funds advanced from time to time to support him in his education to that amount which will raise the sum he has received mentioned in item thirteenth to the amount of three hundred eighty four dollars and fifty cents. I further in his behalf and in mine my executor collect and advance to him funds by loan to assist his study at a credit which his prospects may require with such security as will ensure it and make up the sum of the other children.

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whom dues may be coming will be ample security and in addition while in the pursuit of his studies he shall be provided with bed and board at his mother's without any expense unto him and to assist in sustaining his board at his mother's, there shall be advances annually for that purpose, one hundred pounds per cent, eight bushels wheat, eight of corn and eight dollars in other articles for the ordinary department as their annual worth in cash, and should he be under the necessity of boarding from home the same shall be advances for to assist in sustaining the expense of his board, and further if his mother choose to manufacture any new materials for his clothing during said studies they shall be paid for out of my estate by my executors together with the necessary said clothing without charge to him, and in conclusion upon this item I appoint to W. L. Harris to aid and guide him in the economy of his course of expenditures while in a state of minority and should he decline finishing his course of studies, and obtaining whatever landed property he may choose, then the amount advanced to him shall be deducted from the three hundred and eighty four dollars and the balance paid him which shall be his portion in full.

Sixteenth. I will that my executors in behalf of Alexander Harris collect and pay over to him as funds can be obtained by them to raise the amount he has already received to the amount of three hundred and eighty four dollars and fifty cents.

Seventeenth. My Library of books shall be disposed of in the following manner i.e. all the books on Medical Science shall belong to Alexander Harris and John L. Harris to be divided as they can agree, that if they both practice Medicine. If but one of them practice, the one so practicing shall have the whole Library, and should neither of them practice medicine then the whole medical Library shall be the property of the said Alexander Harris. The books on other Sciences and divinity except those that are marked S. L. Harris, shall be the property of the said Alexander Harris, except such as the said Alexander has a copy of, of these shall be the property of John L. Harris and the New Testament, Baptist Theological Institute

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Eighteenth. I will that my anatomizing and engraving and Dissection instrument be the property of Alexander Harris and John L. Harris equally, should this both practice medicine, if but one of them practice they shall be the property of the said Alexander Harris, should neither of them practice, they shall be sold and disposed of as my other property hereafter mentioned the said instruments shall remain in the possession of John L. Harris until it be determined whether the above named persons practice, and should neither of them practice so long as they remain within the bounds of four miles of the said Cooper's shop the instruments shall remain in his care, but when both or either of them shall reside under or above should remove to an inconvenient distance they in that case shall remove them from his care.

Nineteenth. In addition to the third item relative to my wife Sarah and daughter Sarah Ann, I further will and them during the natural life of my wife Sarah all the household furniture, bedding all things pertaining thereto, bed board and kitchen furniture, to be for their use, no part thereof to be sold for any purpose whatever during the natural life of my wife Sarah, but only on the following condition i.e. If she the said Sarah shall judge it but my executors are authorized to pay any articles over to my heirs or sell them at a twelve months credit and payment to be made to any of the heirs who may be deficient in the amount unless them, and at the death of my wife Sarah I order that the bed and furniture should be the property of daughter Sarah Ann together with one horse, cart, and the remainder of the property sold at a twelve months credit and paid over to my heirs who may be deficient in the sum wills them, or they may take the property at the valuation of my executors may put upon it.

Twentieth. I order that at the death of my wife Sarah all the landed estate except that part wills to the use of my daughter Sarah Ann be sold at a twelve months credit and whatever deficiency there may be in making up the several sums to any of my heirs according to the my last will and testament paid over to them and the balance then of together with all debts that may be due me be paid over to the executors of my will and by the receipt of the said executors the last and final settlement of my estate.

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subject to the following deductions. First there shall be five dollars annually from this time paid over in my name and behalf to support foreign missions until said landed estate be sold, and whatever available funds may be in the hands of my executors which I wish them to reserve out of which to pay said annual donation and keep it account thereof until the deduction to be made at the proper time. Secondly as deduction, my son Shadrach A Harris having been traveling as a minister of the Methodist E. Church and may continue in his ministerial labors till worn out, ~~and~~ dependent on others for his comfortable support, in that case, I will that there be deductions made from said funds, necessary for his comfortable support, but my executor may consent and see proper and the balance if any paid over to said foreign missionary society, and should he be so fortunate as not to be a needy dependant, then the full donation shall be made to said society.

Again I order that at the death of my daughter Sarah Ann, the landed estate in which she possessed, below the road be sold by my executors and the proceeds thereof be scrupulously applied to the same purposes to which the other landed estate is ordered. Again I will that my executors always keep a fund from among my debts to be collected which fund shall supply my wife Sarah Ann and John L Harris during his minority with such sums as my executors from time to time may judge they should give to the support of the Gospel, except my wife she is to give at her own discretion so that they may not be embarrassed by having to raise such donations out of their own portions allotted to them.

Again to accomplish the purposes designed in the arrangement of my landed estate in the best manner to secure the interest of all parties concerned, I will and order that there be no wood land cleared or enclosed in addition to the land already cleared and more especially that piece enclosed near the Johnson Range and Mr Joseph Hunter, reserve it for timber and persons occupying any of the houses or quarters under the control of my executors cut no timber but clear timber for firewood, and when desired

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timber for that purpose if they choose to secure by the houses they they must purchase firewood from the neighborhood.

Again the cattle and cots, a mare called Lily and called Hannah, are to be sold at a tender in this credit and the proceeds applied as my other debts and unless some of the heirs may choose to take at their valuation as a part of the amount which they but should Sarah Ann choose to take some of them for the horse heart called her she must first choose hers.

Again I will that my executors at the expense of my estate have Father Ragan's grave finished as I have directed, and my father and mother graves on the old place walled so as the written directions tell in my account book there described, these I wish done as soon as convenient.

Again The furniture of the medicine shop with the medicines therein shall be for the use and benefit of L. L. Harris as he may choose to use it in practice, but not to suffer any part of the furniture to be appropriated to any use but that for which it is designed, and to be under his care until it is determined that one or both of my sons L. L. Harris & D. A Harris shall enter into the practice of medicine then the furniture &c shall belong to one or both of them as mentioned of the other articles belonging to the parties, but should L. L. Harris enter into regular practice the furniture &c shall be his property.

Again. The wheat and oat crop that I have sown & sown by myself alone shall be secured, got out at my expense and sold as my other property of sale, and the proceeds applied the same way except twenty one bushels of wheat shall be applied to the use of my family, but that part of the crop sown by L. L. Harris must be managed and divided between L. L. Harris and my wife Sarah according to the judgment of her and my executors, he being the proper owner of the plantation and the articles for farming will be her except the broke place, that the said Sarah my wife have no claim on during the time she is married.

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and before any of the said debts should remain
 again. I appoint Crampton & Harris, my son a trustee in
 trust both for my wife Sarah and for my daughter Sarah
 Ann who shall have full power to prevent Sarah my
 wife and Sarah Ann my daughter from selling their interests
 and claim to the real estate unless they during their
 natural life, but should be the said Crampton with the
 judgment of my executors think best to make sole trustees
 for the better support of the said Sarah my wife and
 Sarah Sarah Ann my daughter, then and in that
 case, there shall ample security be taken of the pro-
 perty for the careful and farming like manner in
 which he shall cultivate and improve some lands so that
 he shall be bound to leave it in as good state of cultivation
 as when he took possession thereof, and he cannot alienate in re-
 spect of the timber and cutting or opening any waste land for
 farming as provided against in article first on page 5th.
 Lastly in all confidence in the probity of John W. C. Harris
 my son, and Joseph Hunter my son-in-law, I appoint them the
 executor of this my last will and testament and hereby request
 them to receive this instrument as such, which renders all
 other wills, bequests made by me. In testimony whereof I at
 my hand and seal this 2nd day of July in the year of our
 Lord eighteen hundred and forty-two in presence of
 Edw. Armstrong
 John Blair
 John P. Chester

Be it then read that I appoint to this my last will and testament
 the following clause. Whereas I have lately sold unto Dr. John C. Blair
 my house and lot in Newburyport or two thirds thereof, and
 the one third thereof I will unto him to retain at the value
 of hundred and twenty-five dollars, the other two thirds he is to pay
 me for which is five hundred and fifty dollars in current bank
 notes, to be paid any time he may choose within five years from
 third day of last March, one hundred dollars of which has been
 since paid as a receipt held by him will show; when said
 sum of five hundred and fifty dollars is paid, my executors will
 be authorized to make him a title to said house and lot.
 them. As there will not be funds sufficient to pay to all my heirs
 the amount I will to them, and such times that the said
 estate be sold, they must be paid up in the following manner:

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the first effort is to keep in hand such sums as will
 enable my executors to advance for that purpose to him
 as he may need it the amount I will him. If he desires
 his share then he must receive his part in the manner and
 time appointed for other heirs which is this: His funds can be
 raised by my executors from debts and sales of property they may
 begin to pay off the heirs which is in the greatest degree need-
 ed, his sum up to the next greatest in deficiency, and to
 continue from time to time until they all have received
 the amount I will them which is three hundred and
 eighty-four dollars and fifty cents each heir, including the
 amounts I have advanced and charged such with
 my book. The manner and time in which Sarah
 Harris is to receive the deficiency in which her share
 James A. Harris died, taken at his death, which de-
 ficiency is two hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty
 cents, the sum is to be made up for her as soon as
 soon after the other sums or heirs have been paid
 and put out at interest until she arrives at lawful
 age to receive her portion, if collected before that time,
 if not collected it must be paid her as soon after her
 arrival at lawful age as it can be collected.

Again I order that should either of my executors
 resign from this county so that he cannot act
 in the capacity of such or by any other cause and
 be removed in such a manner that he cannot
 discharge the duties thereof in that case the
 rest of the remaining one shall be sufficient,
 at at the instance of my wife Sarah or daughter
 Sarah Ann if necessary there shall be another ap-
 pointed according to law, and at all times at the
 instance of either there may and shall be one ex-
 ecutor appointed or more if necessary to keep up
 the business of my estate be settled according to the intent
 and meaning of this instrument of writing, this
 26th July 1842
 Edw. Armstrong
 John Blair
 John P. Chester

Rev C. Harris

The foregoing will was proven in open
 court by John Blair & J. P. Chester two of the judges