

Elizabeth Barcroft Will

State of Tennessee Washington County. The last will
& Testament of Elizabeth Barcroft

I Elizabeth Barcroft of the County and State aforesaid, knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death & being sound in mind & memory, do make & publish this my last will & Testament in form as follows: namely, after paying my funeral expenses & just debts I devise and give as item first the sum of Fifty dollars to Audriase P. Bell, now of the State of Iowa, is my nephew & the son of my sister Alice dead.

Item Second. I give and bequeath to Josiah & Samuel Alexander, sons of John & Martha Alexander dead, the sum of Fifty dollars each.

Item third. I give & bequeath to the building & finishing of the present Presbyterian Church at Seeshurg now in course of erection, the sum of twenty five dollars, or for to be used for any purpose - that will be for the benefit & prosperity of said congregation in the judgment of its present or future ruling elders.

Item Fourth. I give & bequeath to my sister Jane Barcroft the sum of two hundred dollars.

Item Fifth. I will & bequeath the sum of two hundred dollars each to the building Committee or their successors for the benefit & use of the three United Presbyterian Churches that were destroyed by the storm in the year 1881, one of said Churches is in Illinois, one in Kansas & one in Iowa & the whole sum that I bequeath to these Churches is six hundred dollars, being two hundred dollars for each.

Item Sixth. I will and bequeath the entire remainder of my estate to the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

I do hereby constitute & appoint James H. Duncan my executor of this my last will & Testament hereby I revoke all my former wills & codicils, leaving this as my last & only will on earth.

I also will request the worshipful County Court for said County & State to not

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require said J. H. Duncan my Executor to give security to wind up my estate because I have implicit confidence in him in doing as my will directs. Witness my hand & seal & dated (the interlining made before signing this will) in the presence of three witnesses at my request on the third day of August eighteen hundred eighty one.

Witnesses
John Devault
J. R. Devault

Elizabeth ^{her} Barcroft _{mark}

The foregoing will was presented to the County Court of Washington County Tennessee at its September Term 1885 and proved by the oaths of John Devault and J. R. Devault, subscribing witnesses thereto, and there being no exceptions taken the same was ordered by the Court to be entered of record.

C. A. Shipley Clerk