

Jacob Klepper's Will Continued

and Testament and hereby revoke all former wills made by me.

Witness my hand and seal, this 18th day of Jan'y 1862

(Subscribed before signed)

Jacob Klepper Seal

Attest, Wm. J. Strain, J. W. Belford

The foregoing will

was duly proven in open Court at April Term 1862

by Wm. J. Strain & J. W. Belford subscribing witnesses thereon

and ordered to be recorded and John B. Klepper &

John A. Hauge the Executors named therein appeared

in open Court gave bond & approved Henry and

Wardlaw qualified as Executors

C. A. Combs Clerk

John Ferguson's will

In the name of God Amen

I John Ferguson of Washington County East Tennessee being in perfect mind & memory but calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed to all men once to die do make this my last will & testament principally & first of all I give my soul to Almighty God who gave it & my body to be buried in Christian order by my executors & so touching such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me I bequeath in the following manner

I will & bequeath my lands to my four sons (viz)

Henry & Ferguson Robert M Ferguson George W Ferguson & Alexander F Ferguson by the three oldest paying a fifteen dollar saddle to Elizabeth Gibson & one to Amanda Henry & Ferguson is to have his part of the land adjoining what he purchased from James Rhea also Henry & is to make a deed for the land I purchased from Smith Hunt containing twenty one acres to my three youngest daughters to it Elizabeth Gibson & her heirs Susannah & Amanda also my three eldest sons is to pay my three oldest daughters five dollars worth of property within two years after my decease

also I bequeath my waggon & farming utensils to my three youngest sons & the furniture & finishing in the house and kitchen to my three youngest daughters also my Bible

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to Amanda & Joseph's writings to Alexander & the other Books to be equally divided amongst my children

I do hereby appoint & constitute & ordain my sons Henry & George W Ferguson my Executors & do hereby revoke disannul & disallow all other wills or wills made by me in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this

it is my wish that no security be required of my executors in the presence of

also in addition to the above I bequeath to my Grandson George W Gibson one small lot known to my executors

& also all my stock & grain & other property that is not named in my other bequests I bequeath to my single children that is

living on the place to be used by them at their discretion

26th January in the year of our Lord 1862

Attest Joseph Baneau John Ferguson

Francis Gibson } The last will and testament of John Ferguson

Philip Walkley } presented to Court at the May Term 1862

and proven by the Oath of Francis Spans Philip

Attest Wm. J. Strain & J. W. Belford

Turner Smith's will

I Turner Smith of the County of Washington & State of Tennessee calling to mind the uncertainty of life make & ordain this

my last will & testament in manner & form following (viz)

first it is my will that my funeral expenses & all my just

debts be paid by my executors (hereafter to be named) out of any

moneys that may first come into their hands of my estate

(see 2^d) I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Mary my plantation

on which I now live to be under her control (so that she does not

unnecessarily destroy or cause to be destroyed the timber thereon)

for her support & maintenance during her natural life

or widowhood in case she marries it is my will

that she have one horse one Cow & one Bed & Bedding

it is my will that my grand daughter Martha Ellen Humphrey

have one Bed & Bedding & one milk Cow to be given her

when she marries or when she leaves my family

(see 3^d) I give & bequeath to my grandson Russell Smith

a small piece of land on the South west side of the road

leading from Jonesborough to Cherahoe near the railroad

& now enclosed in his mothers field supposed to be about

one fourth of an acre

(see 4th) it is my will as soon as practicable after the death

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(or widowhood) of my wife that my executors sell my plantation or all my other property not otherwise disposed of for cash (or on short) either at public or private sale as they may think best for the interest of the estate & apply the proceeds together with any other monies that may be due me at my death as hereinafter directed & whereas I have heretofore made the following advancements to my children (viz) to my son David I have advanced in property & Cash one hundred & fifty five dollars. To my Daughter Delila Humphries in property one hundred & sixty four dollars To my Daughter Lavisa Troddan in land warrants & other property three hundred & eight dollars. To my Daughter Rachel Brown in property one hundred & twenty nine dollars to my daughter Mary Ann in property fifty dollars to my son John in property one hundred & thirty five dollars I also loaned him two hundred & fifty dollars for which I hold his note without interest now if I dont draw from him said money it is my will that it be regarded as that amount advanced to him which will make his advancement three hundred and eighty five dollars and to my Daughter Margaret Head in property forty five dollars I hereby direct my Executors as soon as they shall have collected the sale money together with any money that may be due me at my death to pay said John fifty dollars for his care & attention to me while I live. Next make each of the heirs above named equal in amount to the one who may have received the largest amt. advanced & then divide the remainder equally between said Children & last I hereby nominate & appoint my son John Smith & my son in law Alfred Brown Executors of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former will made by me

October 1860

Attest G. W. Telford

Alexander Miller

The foregoing Will was presented in Open Court and proven by the Oaths of J. W. Telford and Alexander Miller and Cordeley W. Telford there to John A. Smith and Alfred Brown his Executors mentioned in said will appeared in Open Court James Brown and last of Margual Aid as the law direct. at New Orleans 1860. J. H. Clark

This 13th day of
Turner X Smith (Seal)
mark

Will of Casander M. Brown

In view of the uncertainty of Life. The Certainty of Death and the urgent appeal which observation and experience urges upon us all to put our earthly affairs in order which in the full exercise of our reason and judgment I do make and constitute this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made 1st I commit my body to the dust and my spirit to God who gave it. I appropriate before any bequest or devise the meridian expures of Christian burial and whereas my wish being intimated and fully understood by my Children has been to give to each of them one thousand dollars and whereas several of my Children have from time to time needed money or profit and have been supplied by me with the understanding that it was to be counted to each as an advancement out of said sum of one thousand dollars and whereas my daughter Luinda Hunter and her husband Montgomery Hunter has a share in the house stand place where I now live which share I have endeavored to purchase or set apart so that I might be enabled to make an equitable division of my real estate and my said daughter Luinda and her husband are unwilling to either sell or divide and have satisfied me that it must be divided by Law unless I will submit to such a division as will do less wrong to my other Children than my said daughter Luinda (though not of my own assent feeling) but for the purpose of doing strict and impartial justice between my Children, is made an exception to the rule of allowing one thousand dollars to each Child ~~children~~ and whereas for Charities and Comemorative it is best first to state the amount due to each of my Children on the basis above herein adopted and then make to each specific bequest and devise of the amounts and property I intend them to have. The amounts are predicated upon my valuation of advancements and property which it is my will shall be absolute and final and shall be in full satisfaction of the one thousand dollars to each and of the bequest to my daughter Luinda Hunter there is due to my daughter Julia C. Piper a balance of four hundred dollars. To my daughter Elizabeth C. Chertea a balance of four hundred and seventy six dollars (1768) to my son Cyrus W. Lyle a balance of eight hundred and eighty three dollars and fifty cents. To my son Charles J. Lyle a balance of five hundred and fifty dollars, to my son Matthew W. Lyle a balance of one hundred and thirty nine dollars and forty five cents, to my son by my last marriage Samuel A. L. Brown the full sum of one thousand dollars to my daughter Luinda Hunter the specific bequest of three hundred and seventy five dollars and seventy five cents.