

Last Will and Testament of Femina J. Coxe.

Georgia,
Bibb County, }

I Femina J. Coxe of said State and County, being of sound mind and memory, doth make, publish and declare the following as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all other wills heretofore made by me.

- Item 1st I desire that my body shall be interred in a decent and Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances, and condition in life.
- Item 2^d I give and bequeath to my husband Dr. J. T. Coxe, all of the household and kitchen furniture and other personal property of which I may die seized and possessed, together with all of the following described real estate: Four lots of land lying on Windsor Hill, being part of fractional lot No. 45 of the Macow Reserve, West of the Ocmulgee River, which are embraced in the survey made by M. S. Thompson on the south side of the City of Macow, and known in the survey of M. S. Thompson ~~at the~~ south side of the City of Macow, and known in the plan of said extension as lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, in Block 25, including a twenty foot Alley, said each having a front of seventy nine feet and four inches and One hundred and fifty feet in length, Also all of that lot of land, lying in Bibb County, and which is more fully described in a deed dated 11th day of June 1880, from L. T. Thompson and Mary E. Whithead, to Femina J. Coxe and which is recorded in Book 22, D, page 25, Clerk's office, Bibb Superior Court — to have and to hold said Real and personal property, for and during the term of his natural life, and at the death of my husband I desire and direct that all of the Real property that I give to him, as above set forth shall be equally divided between my children Marie Louisa Coxe, Bessie Chipley, Etta Wood, and Wilburn P. Hall. The personal property of which I may die seized and possessed, shall at my death, be equally divided between my said Children Marie Louisa, Bessie Chipley, & Etta Wood, except so much thereof as my said husband shall desire for his personal wants & comfort, at his death the furniture & personally he selected shall be equally divided between my said daughters.
- Item 3. I nominate and appoint my friend Alexander Roundtree as Executor of this my Will and Testament, I desire that no appraisement shall be made of my Estate at my death, nor shall it be necessary for my said Executor to make annual returns as such Executor to the Ordinary of said County, but the same is dispensed with. This the 3^d day of June 1883

J. J. Coxe (Seal)

Signed, Sealed declared and published by Femina J. Coxe as her last Will and Testament in the presence of us the undersigned, who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of each other. This the 3^d day of June 1883

day of June 1882

J. Monroe Ogden
A. Block
F. M. Turpin
A. Proudfoot

Georgia }
Bibb County } I do solemnly swear that the within writing contains
the true last Will of the within named Gemima J. Cox
deceased, so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly
execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State - So help
me God.

Known to & subscribed before }
me, this January 28th 1886 }
J. A. McManus }
Ordinary }

A. Proudfoot

Recorded January 28th 1886
J. A. McManus
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Last Will and Testament of Lewis Neale Whittle

Georgia, } I, Lewis Neale Whittle, of said County & State, being of sound
Bibb County, } and disposing mind & memory, make, declare & publish this
as & for my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking & making
null, all former Will or Wills, heretofore made by me.

1st I wish to be buried in my lot in Rose Hill Cemetery, by the side
of my wife.

2^d Should I leave any debts at my death, I wish my Executors to pay
the same as soon as may be, after scrutinizing & enquiring into the
same, as I hope to pay all I owe before my death.

3^d I give One hundred dollars, to be by my daughter divided among
such of my old servants as she may think proper, including such
as may be in my employment at the time of my death.

4th I give One hundred dollars to the Wardens & Vestry of Christ Epis-
copal Church Macow, to be used as they think proper; and also
a hundred dollars to them to form a nucleus of a fund, to
erect a church, in connection with our Parish, for the use of the
colored people, in Macow. I regret that I am not able to do more
for these two purposes.

5th In case my son James Murray Whittle, shall determine
not to study & practice Law, I give my Law Library in my office,
including the Books loaned out by me, but not including those
in my house, to the Macow Public Library, for the use & benefit
of the Members of the Macow Bar Association; who I request
to make such arrangements for their preservation & use, that
young members of the Bar, as well as others, may have the use
of the Books under such Rules as the Association may adopt.

6th I wish my two children to divide between them all the property
& rights of property I may leave at my death equally, without taking
into account what I have heretofore given either of them, or what
I may give either of them before I die. The children, or descendants
of children 'per stirpes', taking the share or part of either of my
children, who may die, leaving child or children.

7th The property going to my daughter Mrs. Gillah M. Emmet
under this Will, I give to her as Trustee, for herself for life, & then
to her children, or descendants of Child or Children; 'per stirpes'
she to manage and control the same as she may think best for
herself & children; buying, selling, investing & reinvesting as she
may think best, & this in her discretion, at public or private sale,
& without any order, direction from, or Return to any Court,
I particularly desire that she venture none of it in trade, or specu-
lation of any kind.

8th I appoint my daughter Mrs. Gillah M. Emmet & my son
James M. Whittle, Executors of this my Will, giving them full
authority to execute the same, without resort to any Court for
any purpose, & authorize them to sell, in their discretion

Last Will and Testament of Lewis Neale Whittle.
 or any of my property, as public or private sale, as they think best.
 In Witness of all which, I hereunto set my hand and seal, this
 April 26th 1883.

L. N. Whittle (S.S.)

The above & foregoing this day signed, sealed, declared & published by
 said Lewis N. Whittle as & for his last will & testament in our presence,
 or to at his request, in his presence, & in the presence of each other, sub-
 scribed the same as witnesses, this April 26th 1883.

A. H. Everett.

H. F. Strohecker.

Harry C. Mix.

Georgia, }
 Bibb County. } In person came Saml. A. C. Everett, who on oath says
 that he saw Lewis N. Whittle sign, seal, declare and
 publish the within & foregoing instrument as & for his last will &
 Testament, that the same was so executed in the presence of
 deponents & H. F. Strohecker & H. C. Mix, who at his request signed
 the same as subscribing witnesses in his presence & in presence
 of each other, that said will was executed by said Lewis N.
 Whittle freely & voluntarily & that said testator was at the time
 of sound & disposing mind & memory.

Given to & subscribed before me
 this February 20th 1886.

J. A. McManus,
 Ordinary.

A. H. Everett

Recorded February 20th 1886.

J. A. McManus,
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Last Will and Testament of Zillah M. Emmel.

State of Georgia } I, Zillah M. Emmel of said + County do here
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Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all
others by me heretofore made.

Item 1st I give + bequeath unto my two children Sarah L. + Zillah W. all
the property of every kind whatsoever which may be owned by me
or to which I may be in any manner entitled or in which I may
be interested at the time of my death, the same to go + belong unto
them share + share alike in equal proportion absolutely and in
fee simple.

Item 2nd I hereby nominate + appoint my brother J. M. White +
my cousin John H. Powers Executors of this my last Will + Trust-
ees for my children as to the property which may come to
them by this Will.

In Witness Whereof, I have heretofore my hand
+ seal this the 27th day of January A.D. 1886.
Zillah M. Emmel (S.S.)

Signed, sealed, declared and published by the testatrix
Zillah M. Emmel, as and for her last Will and Testament
in presence of us, who at her request, and in her presence
and in the presence of each other have heretofore subscribed
our names as Witnesses thereto - January 27th 1886.

Saml. A. C. Everett.
H. M. Hutton.
G. W. Huston.

Georgia } In person came George W. Huston, who on oath
Bibb County } says, that he saw Mrs. Zillah M. Emmel sign, seal
declare + publish the foregoing instrument of writing as + for her
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subscribed the same as witnesses at her request, in her presence +
in presence of each other - that said Will was executed by her
freely + voluntarily + that she was at the time of executing the same
of sound + disposing mind + memory.

Given to + subscribed before me
this 16th day of February 1886.

J. A. McManus, Ordinary

G. W. Huston
Recorded February 20th 1886
J. A. McManus
Ordinary

Last Will and Testament of William Francis Seay.

Georgia,
Bibb County.

In the name of God Amen.

I, William Francis Seay being in immediate prospect of death and fully realizing my condition and further fully desiring to dispose of my worldly affairs, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament.

Item First - I give back to God my soul, who gave it - trusting in salvation through my Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Item Second - I desire my body to be decently interred according to Christian custom.

Item Third - I desire my just debts all paid.

Item Fourth - I give and bequeath all my Estate both real and personal choses in action and in hand including all insurance which I now carry on my life to my son, John Francis Seay, now a minor of the age of five years - and I further distinctly state that I have an insurance on my life in the United Workmen of Ten Thousand Dollars -

Item Fifth - I appoint my brother George W. Seay my Executor with out bond and also the testamentary guardian of my said minor child John Francis Seay - and desire that after he has qualified as my Executor without advertisement, he make no further return of his actings and doings in this trust but only account to my said minor child John Francis when he reaches full age.

W. F. Seay X
Signed by the testator in our presence and by us in his presence as witnesses by his request to this his last will and testament as so declared by him, and in the presence of each other.

This the 10th day of March 1886.

J. D. Parks,
W. A. Swanson
M. A. Swanson

Georgia,
Bibb County.

Before me came J. D. Parks, named as a witness to the within writing purporting to be William Francis Seay's last will, and being duly sworn, saith that he with W. A. Swanson and M. A. Swanson at the request of William Francis Seay and in his presence did attach as witnesses the within writing as his, William Francis Seay's Will, that the same was signed and published by William Francis Seay in their presence as his last will, that he was at the time of said attestation and signing by himself of sound and disposing mind and memory, that he executed the within paper voluntarily

subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March 1886

J. H. Manue,

Ordinary.

Recorded March 15th 1886 J. H. Manue, Ordinary

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Last Will and Testament, of Mrs Julia P. Jones

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In the name of God Amen
I, Julia P. Jones Widow of John S. Jones late of said
Ga. do make, declare and publish this as for my last
Will and Testament hereby, revoking all former Will or
Wills heretofore made by me -

Julia P. Jones

1st After all my debts are paid, I make the following gifts, Legacies,
and Requests, hereby disposing of all the property and rights of prop-
erty of which I may die possessed, or to which I may be entitled, wherever the same
may be situated, and in whatever the same may consist -

2^d To Frederick Jones, surviving brother of my late husband, and
in case of his decease to his wife Mary A. Jones I bequeath three
thousand (\$3,000) dollars.

3^d To each of his four daughters, Cornelia Jones Ashton, wife of
Rev. James W. Ashton, Fredrica I. Sonette, wife of Walter Sonette
Calif. Eugenia Jones and Julia Lewis Jones, each one thousand
dollars making the sum of four thousand dollars.

4th To Frances A. Brown widow of Wm. G. Brown at present
living in Brookfield Missouri I give three thousand dollars,
(Sister of my late husband.)

5th To her son John L. Brown living in Missouri I bequeath
one thousand dollars.

6th To the three Cousins of my late husband, viz: Mrs. Elizabeth
Kill, Mrs. Louisa Kimberly and Mrs. Mary Kimberly, all living
at present in Nash Haven Connecticut, one thousand dollars
each making the sum of three thousand dollars.

7th To my beloved Nephew John S. Nichols Son of Wm. Sand my
only sister Harriet P. Nichols (both deceased) at present living in
Salinas City California. I give and bequeath in trust fifteen
thousand dollars for the benefit of himself, his present or any
future wife and then to his children share and share alike,
but should said Nephew die leaving no children or dis-
cussants of children, his wife surviving him shall have and take
five thousand dollars part of said fifteen thousand dollars (\$5,000)
in fee for her own use and benefit; the remaining ten thousand
dollars to revert to his brother Capt. Wm. P. Nichols Salinas City,
Calif. for his life, and then to his wife and children.

X inserted before this Will was signed.

8th I give and bequeath to my Nephew William P. Nichols

Julia P. Jones

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of Salinas City California in trust for the benefit of himself, his present or any future wife for life, and then to his children share and share alike; fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars.

9th To Julian Parkman Nichols son of said W^m P. Nichols I give one thousand (\$1,000) dollars.

10 To Capt. W^m J. Seymour son of my beloved friends Col. Isaac G. & Caroline E. Seymour (deceased now residing in N. Orleans, I give one thousand dollars. To his son W^m Eudow Seymour (my God-Son) the like sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) —

11 To Mrs. Mary Smith (widow of Chandler Smith) I give five hundred dollars (\$500)

12 To my God-daughter and name sake Mrs. Julia Jones Williams, daughter of Chandler Smith — residence N. York City. I give \$500 dollars.

13th To my Cousin Mrs. Charlotte V. Barker at present residing with me I give four thousand (\$4,000) dollars — — —

14 To Norris Wilcox, son of my Cousin Edward A. Wilcox — nephew and adopted son of Mrs. C. V. Barker, I give ten shares (10) South Western R. Road Stock to be held in trust by Mrs. C. V. Barker for his sole use and benefit.

15 To my dear friend Mrs. Mary Bailey living in South Charleston N. Hampshire (widow of Col. G. S. Bailey) I give one thousand dollars in case of her death to her sister Mrs. Robertson.

16th To my Cousin George Cornwell of Savannah Ga. I give my Brick Home on Mulberry St. in Macon, build and occupied by my late husband as his place of business.

17 To Mrs. Sarah Shivers and Mrs. Annie P. Chipman both daughters of Mr. George Cornwell and living in Savannah I give each one thousand dollars — making the sum of two (2) thousand dollars.

18 To Charles Cotton Blackshear son of Albert and Maria Blackshear I give five hundred dollars if he is not living at my decease this sum must revert to my Estate.

19 To my God-daughter Ella Baber Blackshear, daughter of W^m

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and Mariah Baker Blackshear, I give five hundred dollars.

- 20 To my God-daughter, Edith Trevor Johnson daughter of Rev Perry and Catharine E. Johnson I give five hundred dollars (\$500) to be paid to her mother, for her use and benefit, Residence Charleston S.C.
- 21 To Augusta Plaub I bequeath five hundred (\$500) dollars, as presently living in Macon daughter of Mrs Sarah Plaub.
- 22 To Mrs Catharine A. Elliott widow of Rev. James Elliott living in Marietta Ga. I give five hundred dollars.
- 23 To Miss Sarah Bivins I give one thousand (\$1000) dollars.
- 24 I give and bequeath to Mrs Virginia Hopson and her sister, Miss Georgia Conner, both living in Macon five hundred dollars each - Making the sum of \$1000.
- 25 To Julia Cobb daughter of Col. Howell Cobb (deceased) and Mrs. Mary Cobb I give five hundred dollars (\$500).
- 26 I give to my God-daughter Julia Blanch Nell daughter of my late friend Nathan C. Munroe (deceased) ten Shares South Western Rail Road Stock - Wife of Capt. John M. Nell, Sunny Side Ga.
- 27 I give to Bertha, Edith and Mabel daughters of Gen. E. E. Bradley New Haven Conn. five hundred dollars each - making fifteen hundred dollars - This sum to be paid to Gen. Bradley and held in trust for his daughters.
- 28 To Emma B. Clark wife of Mr Bailey Clark, born on our place and remaining with us after Emancipation, always devoted to our interests and our loving friend and devoted nurse in sickness, I give thirty shares of South Western Rail Road Stock for her use and benefit, and to dispose of by Will as she may think best. (30 shares)
- 29 To Sarah Harromack (Emma's sister) daughter of Harriet Wright I give ten Shares of South Western R. Rail Road Stock (10) for her sole use and benefit during her life and then to her children if she has any if she has no children or descendants of children then to dispose of by will as she may choose - her present husband or any she may have hereafter shall have no right, or title to any part of this Request.

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30 To Mary Lottie Bailey born on our place and freed by the Emancipation I give and bequeath the House and Lot on which she lives in front of Harry Wright's old place in Vineville, her husband or any husband she may have hereafter to have no right or title thereto. I also give her ^{on. they came to me} ten (10) shares of S Western Rail Road Stock - She may use this property during her life and then it must be given by her Will to her children.

31 To Christ Church (Episcopal) Macon Ga. I give One thousand dollars. To the Missions of said Church one thousand (1000) dollars to be safely invested by the Wardens and Vestry of said Church the interest or income only to be used - - I also give Christ Church One thousand (1000) dollars to be invested by Wardens and Vestry of said Church, the interest accruing therefrom to be appropriated annually towards the payment of the Bishop's salary. Making in all three thousand (1000) dollars to Christ Church.

32 I also give five hundred (500) dollars to be placed in the hands of Mr. Henry Cutter and to be safely invested by him, the income only to be used for the benefit of the poor of the Parish of Christ Church. Of this amount I wish one dollar to be given monthly to my God-daughter Mrs Sarah Cunningham a poor and worthy communicant of our Church living at present in East Macon.

33 To the Appleton Church Home I give One thousand dollars (\$1,000)

34 To the Ladies Aid, or Sewing Society of Christ Church in which I have been for so many years interested. I give the sum of one thousand dollars (1,000) to be placed in the hands of Mr. Henry S. Cutter in trust for safe investment and the income only used annually for the benefit of said Society.

35 I wish the sum of five hundred dollars to be invested by my Executor and left in trust with him, the interest to be paid semi-annually to Emma B. Clark, or her husband William Bailey Clark, for the purpose of keeping out lots at the Cemetery in perfect order -

36 I give my House and Lot in Macon on the corner of Walnut & Third Street to the Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church to be applied by them for a Retreat, or Christ Church Home for indigent Ladies of the Parish and such other persons as the Wardens and Vestry, or a Committee appointed by them may select as worthy and in need of its protection. To endow this Home I appropriate the House and Lot on Walnut Street, in which I live and also the residue of my Estate after

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paying the foregoing legacies and all other indebtedness

I nominate and appoint my Cousin George Connell of Savannah Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and request him to execute it for me; but if from any cause he fail to do so, I request Henry Cutten and Capt W.W. Carnes both living in Macon Ga. to act as my Executors and execute this Will for me.

Julia P. Jones

Georgia, Bibb County. } The above and foregoing, declared, written & published by Julia P. Jones do, and for her last Will and Testament in our presence, this February 13th 1885, and we have subscribed the same as witnesses of her request, in her presence, and in presence of each other.

L. T. Whittle
J. H. Winchester
J. M. Whittle

Georgia, Bibb Co. }
Oct. 20th 1885. A Codicil

In this Codicil I expressly confirm my former Will dated Feb 13th 1885 excepting so far as the disposition of my property is changed by this Codicil

In the 3^d Item of my Will I bequeathed to Frederick Jones Smith, wife of Watter Smith and daughter of Frederick Jones (my deceased husband's brother) \$1,000 one thousand dollars in consideration of having paid her certain sums of money at different times I reduce this amount to 700, seven hundred dollars

The amount of Requests made to Sarah Wamornack and Mary L. Bailey (colored) I wish safely invested, and interest paid to them semi-annually

I give to John Wesley Wright, brother of Emma B. Claster, born and brought up on my lot the sum of \$300 three hundred dollars

To Henry Dudley who has served me faithfully while living with me, and has a large and increasing family I give the house in which he lives on Madison St. He is to be exonerated from all indebtedness to my estate. The deeds to this property are in Mr L. C. Plant's Bank and they are to be delivered into his possession. He has already made monthly payments on the house and partly cancelled his debt. See acc Book

I wish made over to Aguire Stevens the title deed to his House and lot, and all indebtedness to me cancelled. Titles are deposited in Mr L. C. Plant's Bank

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Julia P. Jones.

I revoke the item in my Will leaving John S. Brown, nephew of my deceased husband, one thousand dollars and give him a legacy instead of \$ 500⁰⁰ (five hundred dollars.

Julia P. Jones

The above and foregoing Codicil was written by Julia P. Jones on the 20th October 1885 and we have subscribed to the same as witnesses in her presence and in presence of each other.

R. H. Plaub,

Luther Williams,

J. C. Plaub.

Julia P. Jones

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Having provided for my friends Mrs. Mary E. Bailey and Mrs. Mary Kimberly (one of the sisters named in my Will - Cousins of my husband) in my life time. I hereby revoke, and make null and void the legacies given to them in this my Will —

Mr David B. Woodruff is still owing for debts contracted during my husband's life time for rent. At his death these rent notes were placed in Mr Whittle's hands for collection and of this date are still in his possession. If this debt is not settled before my decease, I give and bequeath all notes and papers of indebtedness appertaining thereto, to my Cousin Mrs. C. V. Barker.

If the stock I purchased in the Marshall Loom Company through Rev Wm F. Fitch Brooklyn N. York for said Company ever appreciates in value I wish the stock for sale of the same equally divided between Miss Sarah Bivins and Mrs. C. V. Barker.

This is intended as a Codicil to my last Will dated Feb. 1885

I appoint Mrs. C. V. Barker Trustee to Norris Melcoy to the legacy left by me in my Will. I wish the interest of the sum to be used for his sole use and benefit till he is of age. In case of his decease to revert to Mrs. C. V. Barker.

Julia P. Jones.

Signed in our presence

Jan 14 1886

R. H. Plaub,

Geo H. Plaub

W. W. Wrigley

Georgia

Bibb County

Before me on the 22^d day of March 1886, in open Court, in said County, for the purpose of proving the last Will and Testament of Julia P. Jones, late of said County deceased personally came James M. Whittle, one of the three witnesses

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Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Julia P. Jones.

to the said Will, and the will having been, together with the Codicils thereto, brought before me before that time for probate, by the Executor named therein, George Cornwell, who has filed a petition for the probate of the same, he the said witness deposes and says that he saw the said Julia P. Jones sign and publish the said Will on the 13th day of February 1885; as her last Will & Testament, on the day and year therein stated, as executed by her, the said will being now here shown to the witness and thereto attached he and the other witnesses thereto, to wit, L. N. Whittle and J. R. Winchester witnessed the same at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other - that the same was voluntarily executed by her, while she was of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn to & subscribed before me

this the 22^d day of March 1886. } J. M. Whittle

J. A. McManus

Ordinary. }

Georgia, } Before me on the 22^d day of March 1886, in
 Bibb County, } open Court, in said County, for the purpose of
 proving two Codicils to the last Will and Testa-
 ment of Mrs. Julia P. Jones, late of said County deceased,
 the said Codicils being dated on the 20th day of October 1885,
 and the 14th day of January 1886, respectively, personally
 came R. H. Plant, one of the three witnesses to each of said
 codicils the said Will and the Codicils thereto having been
 before that time brought before me for probate by George
 Cornwell the executor named in said Will, who has filed
 a petition for the probate of the same, he the said witness
 deposes and says that he saw the said Julia P. Jones sign
 and publish the said Codicils to her last will and Testament,
 as such, on the days and years therein stated as executed by
 her, the said Codicils being her now shown to the witness,
 and that he and the other witnesses thereto, to wit, Luther
 Williams and J. C. Plant, to the Codicils dated the 20th day
 of October 1885, and George H. Plant and W. W. Wrigley, to the
 Codicil dated the 14th of January 1886, witnessed the same
 at her request and in her presence and in the presence of
 each other, and that the same were voluntarily executed
 by her while she was of sound and disposing mind and
 memory.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this

22^d day of March 1886

J. A. McManus

Ordinary. }

R. H. Plant

Recorded this March 23^d 1886

J. A. McManus, Ordinary.

Last Will and Testament of Mary Louise Chaillé.

I, Mary Louise Chaillé of sound, do, in the presence of these witnesses make this my last Will & Testament.

I desire that all property of whatever kind I may die possessed of shall be held in trust for my infant son Leroy Napier Chaillé by my Executor to be hereinafter named.

I desire that the said hereinafter to be named Executor shall act as Guardian of my son till he is of sufficient age to choose his own Guardian.

I desire that at the age of Twenty one years my son shall receive all the property that may be in the hands of my Executor.

I desire that in case of the death of my son before he shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years, that all of my property of whatever description shall be given to my mother, Matilda L. Napier, in fee simple.

I desire that my brother B. H. Napier shall act as my Executor & Guardian of my son.

In case of the death of both my son & Mother, I desire that my property of all kinds shall be equally divided between my brothers B. H. Napier, Geo C. Napier, Edward Napier & H. V. Napier, or the heirs of the same.

Mary Napier Chaillé (L.S.)

Signed in the presence of each & all of us this the 14th day of May 1873.

M. L. Entz.

J. S. Barr.

Mary Walsh.

Georgia, Bibb County, } This is the will as to which the above witnesses have testified as & to Aug 10th 1874-

L. N. Whittle Com.

J. S. Nisbet Com.

(L.S.)

(L.S.)

Georgia, Bibb County, } I do solemnly swear that the within writing contains the true last will of Mary W. Chaillé deceased so far I know or believe and that I will & truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State so helps God.

For me to & subscribed before this May 3rd 1886.

J. A. M. Manus,

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Last Will and Testament of Louise Chaille.

{Testimony}

Georgia, } By authority of the Court of Ordinary of Bibb County,
 Bibb County. } and of the agreement of Counsel in a cause in said
 Court of Ordinary, the same being the application of Bigge
 H. Napier to Probate & Record, the Will of Mrs Mary Napier Chaille, both
 of which are hereto attached, we have caused each of the Witnesses here-
 inafter mentioned to appear before us, & after having been duly sworn,
 true and more to make to the questions propounded to each of them
 by the Commissioners appointed by the Court, viz: James T. Habet &
 Louis N. Whittle, viz:

Mary Walsh, being produced & duly sworn, says: I know Mary Napier
 Chaille; I knew of her making a will, the paper produced by the
 Court (which they attached hereto) is the one I saw her make; I was one
 of the Witnesses, Mr Ent was another, & the other a man who lived in Mrs.
 Napier's house where Maj Sharpe's family lives, but whose name I have
 forgotten; don't think his name was Barr; on being shown the Will
 & inspecting it, could not make out the name, but says she saw him
 sign his name to the paper; after putting the paper down & think-
 ing, says she thinks the Witness's name was Walker; she read part of
 the Will, & her own name as a Witness, but can't make out to read the
 names of the other two witnesses; says she signed as a Witness & that
 is her name to the paper; the Will was made in Bibb County Georgia,
 in the Home of Mrs. Napier, the brother of Mrs Chaille in the
 Chamber adjoining the sitting room, & occupied by Mrs Chaille &
 her Mother; the Will was made on May 14th 1873; the Will was writ-
 ten by Bigge H. Napier, a brother of Mrs. Chaille, in the above described
 Chamber, Mrs Chaille lying on the bed, & the only persons present,
 being Mrs. Chaille, Bigge H. Napier, the Witness Mary Walsh, Mrs.
 Jenny & Mrs Fannie Napier, both sisters in law of Mrs Chaille
 & Bigge H. Napier, one the widow of Tertullian Napier & the other the
 wife of Geo. C. Napier; Mrs Napier the Mother was then in Forsyth,
 where she had been three or four days; Mrs Chaille told her brother
 Bigge what to write, he wrote it in the room as she told him to
 write out it, & then read it over to her, she said that was all right,
 and after the witnesses were brought in the room, she signed it sit-
 ting up in bed, & the three Witnesses standing up by her in the same
 room, & all seeing her sign the Will, being close at her bedside at the
 time; before signing the Will, Mrs Chaille took it in her hand,
 read a part of it to herself, I don't think she read the whole of it,
 & said it would do, & signed it; she made & executed the Will freely
 & voluntarily, & of her own suggestion, without any constraint, or
 influence from any one; it came about in this way; on the
 day the Will was made, about two or three o'clock P. M. I was
 in Mrs. Chaille's room, with her & her infant, when Mrs Chaille
 asked me when her mother would come, that she was very
 anxious to have her return home; I replied Bigge is going

Last Will and Testament of Mary Louise Chaille.

(Testimony continued)

home to night, & I suppose she would return in a day or so; she said she was very anxious to make her Will & told me to tell Briggs, who was down in the Basement with his two above named sisters in Law, to come up to her; he came up, took a seat by her bedside, & asked her what troubled her; she said she was very weak & wanted to send for Mr. Whittle to write her Will; Briggs replied it was a very wet day, it was then raining; she asked if there was any conveyance, so that a carriage could not be sent; Briggs said not, as the horses were all in the Swamp; I asked if Briggs could not write the Will; he said he could, she asked him if he would do so; Briggs said he would write the Will; she, Mrs Chaille, then told me to get pen, ink and paper; which I did, & Briggs wrote the Will, as above stated - After the Will was written, she said there must be three Witnesses, & the names of her two sisters in Law were mentioned by Mrs Chaille; they were sent for, & came from the Basement, but both objected to signing; she then said send for Mr. Entz & the gentleman whose name I can't name, but who lived in one of her mother's houses, Briggs said a third would be required, & Mrs Chaille said that J. Mary Walsh, would do for the third; Briggs then went for Entz & the other man, who both came & the Will was executed as above - When she had the Will written, read over & executed it, she was of sound, & disposing mind & Memory, & knew full well all she was doing; I know her well, & at that time she was not under the influence of Morphine or Chloroform; either after the Will was written, or while it was being written, she said to Briggs, that she owed me at that time, about one hundred dollars at that time, which was the correct amount, & told Briggs she wanted him to see me paid, which he said he would do; this she did of her own motion, & without any suggestion from me. I never knew Mrs Chaille until January 20th 1873, when I was employed as a wet nurse for her infant child, Leroy Napier Chaille, then about twenty days old, I have since that time & am now, as the child is not weaned, continued its wet nurse; I heard Mrs Chaille say several times, probably as often as ten times, that she wanted to make a Will, & give her share to her child.

* Dr Hanson of New York, carried me to Mrs. Chaille to be employed as a wet nurse; my husband's name is Stephen Walsh; I then had an infant two months old, which its father took to his sister's in Boston, where it died; Mrs Chaille was then boarding in 7th St New York at Mrs McGowagel's; we left New York reached Macow Feb 12th 1873; Mrs Chaille was in the habit of taking Chloroform & Morphine, but she did not take it in New York while I was with her, or for some time after she reached home; I think she was in Macow a month before she took any, it may have been three months before I saw her under the influence of it; I first saw her under its influence was when she received

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those bad letters suspected before I demonstrated to drive from some time after this, was under the was made, Briggs came in the house morning, & was then said as of tomorrow sick over Will, no Ph for that day, remained a the Ladies, to sign as sign, neither in the room men came should be Chaille said Mrs Chaille ing she had two Witnesses the bed & take the Court, & from Mr witnesses. Table, & we I think or signed, we of her Be on which not see h I was in Napier & was ma. George Nap husband by in & on when it & 4 both frequ

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those bad letters from Dr. Chaille, I had smelt it, & from her sleeping suspected before this but could not say I saw her under its influence, I remonstrated with her about taking it, & she said she did it for quiet, & to drive trouble out of her mind; I guess this must have been about some time in April, when she told me about those letters. Occasionally after this, when she would get a letter from Dr. Chaille; I would see her under the influence of Morphine or Chloroform. On the day the Will was made, May 14/73 she was not a bit under the influence of either. Briggs came down on the Train that morning from Forsyth, reaching the house about 7 or 8 A.M.; he saw Mrs. Chaille about ten that morning, while she was in her bed room; I was present; nothing was then said about a Will; she was ill then, but not as much as afterwards when the Will was made. Mrs. Chaille had then been sick over a week; during this sickness, up to the making the Will, no Physician attended her; I don't think one was sent for that day; or if sent for, he did not come. I think she remained a week or more in bed, after the Will was written; when the Ladies, the Sisters in Law, were sent for, after the Will was written, to sign as Witnesses, they refused to sign; when they refused to sign, neither Mrs. Chaille or Briggs said a word; the Sisters remained in the room, untill after the Will was executed. After the men came, they asked if there was any occasion that the Will should be read, so that they would know what was in it; Mrs. Chaille said no, & they signed without hearing what was in it. When Mrs. Chaille signed the Will, she was sitting up in bed; after signing she laid down; I signed the Will on the table, as the other two Witnesses did also; I saw them sign it, & they saw me sign it; the bed & table were both in the position they now are, as shown the Court, the place where the Witnesses signed, being about seven feet from Mrs. Chaille's position on the bed, in full view of her, all the witnesses stood up when they signed the Will, which was on the table, & we each stood with our backs to her, as we signed the Will; I think one of the men stood on the opposite side where he signed, with his face to Mrs. Chaille; Mrs. Chaille was on the side of her Bed next to the center of the room & nearest to the table on which was the Will. This was before the Will was made, I did not see her under the influence of Chloroform or Morphine; I was in the room with her day & night; Mrs. Pressilgan Napier was in the room about three days before the Will was made, on the day it was made, & left the next day; George Napier & his wife lived in the Brick House, about one hundred yards from Mrs. Napier's Dwelling; she was frequently in & out the house the day the Will was read, was present when it was signed, George came in shortly after they were both frequently in & out of the House for the week before the Will

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was made, when Bigge came in, the morning the Will was made, I heard all his conversation with his sister, I was not listening to do so, but was in the room & could not but hear it; I did not hear him remonstrate with her about taking Chloroform or Morphine, he told her he had a letter from Dr Chaillé, said it said she ought to have milk in her breast, & wanted to read it; she would not hear it, but said Bigge if raising my hand would certify to Chaillé that the child is mine I would not raise it, but God knows, & I know that it is my child, as far as I know, from the 20th of January 1873, Mrs Chaillé had no milk in her breasts, but I made no examination - she said she was taking Morphine, & did not intend to nurse ~~her~~ ~~my~~ her child, and this was the reason she had no milk, as given by Mrs Chaillé.

Mrs Chaillé's Mother lived & slept in the same room with her daughter, & they sometimes occupied the same bed - I have heard Mrs Napier occasionally remonstrate with her daughter about using Chloroform & Morphine; I never heard George do so; or his wife or Mrs Sesselyain Napier: My wages are twenty five dollars a month & board, & have been since I first came; Mrs Chaillé, while at Mrs McGougl's in N York, staid in her own room, would sometimes go down to dinner, but not often to breakfast or tea - when on the Steamer from N York, Mrs Chaillé remained in her State Room & did not come out, she was sick & felt very unwell.

XX When I spoke of Mrs Chaillé receiving letters from Dr Chaillé, after she returned to Macon, I ment the letters were written to her brother, who read them to her - Mrs Chaillé died on July 5th 1873; after she had made the Will, & her mother came back, she told her mother she had done it & that her mind was easy.

Amended submitted & sworn to before us, January, 8 - 1873 in Bibb County Ga:

L. M. Whittle Com^{rs} (S.S.)

J. D. Nisbet Com^{rs} (S.S.)

Georgia, } Mrs Matilda S. Napier, one of the witnesses mentioned
Bibb County. } in the agreement between Council, & the order of the
Ordinary of Bibb County in the matter of the application to prove the Will of Mrs Mary Napier Chaillé, on this the 23rd day of May 1874 appeared before the said Commissioners James Nisbet & Louis M. Whittle, & who after being duly sworn, depose and answers as follows, to wit:

I shall be sixty six years old in July, I know Mary Napier Chaillé she was my daughter; & was familiar with her hand writing. Witness being shown the Will of Mrs. Chaillé states that the signature of testatrix is the genuine signature of Mrs. Chaillé. Mrs. Chaillé died on the 5th of July 1873, at my house, in the ville District near Macon in Bibb County, Georgia. Mrs Chaillé

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left a child, a boy, who is still living. The child lives with me but is temporarily with my son Briggs H. Napier at Forsyth Co. His name is Leroy Napier Chaillé. He was born in New York City at 12 O'clock on the night of the 28th December 1872, at Dr. Brindley's at I think No 21 East 26th Street. I was present and assisted at the birth of the child. It is the same child referred to in the Will of the 14th day of May 1873. Mrs Chaillé always recognized the child and was fond of it. Mrs Chaillé's Christian name was Mary Louise, but after marriage she frequently signed her name Mary Napier Chaillé. I was in Forsyth, Geo. when the will was made. I heard Mrs Chaillé frequently, after the birth of her child, express her determination to make another will; to give her property to her child, but never heard her state exactly how she would give it. When I returned home, on the 16th day of May 1873, from Forsyth, Mrs Chaillé told me that she had made a will. She never spoke of it, of it afterwards. In speaking of making a will, before it was made, she gave as a reason, that the law of Louisiana required a new will after the birth of a child. On the 18th day of May 1873 Mrs Chaillé was perfectly rational but very sick. I mean whilst talking to me about having made a will. Mrs Chaillé returned to my house in May 1873 from New Orleans, in company with Dr Hawthorn, who had a letter from Dr Chaillé to me, which he advised me not to read and returned. It afterwards came into the possession of George C. Napier & through him to me. From the time she came, considered Bibb County Georgia her residence & my house her home, for she never expected to return to Dr Chaillé.

Cross Examined.

Mrs Chaillé & I started to New York on the 26th day of October 1872. I went to Savannah & took passage in the Steamer San Jacinto, Captain Hazard. The purser's name was Sparhawk. We reached New York I think on 1st Nov. 1872; & went to Mrs Crossley, corner of South Street, La Fayette place, to whom we had a letter of introduction from Mrs Darnour of Macon. We remained at Mrs Crossley's from the 1st of Nov. to the 28th day of December 1872, when we went to Dr Brindley on 26th Street. We remained there just two weeks, leaving there on a Saturday; which I think was the 10th day of January 1873. From thence we went to Mrs McGonigal's at 51 Ninth St. where we remained until the 8th day of February, when we took passage on the San Jacinto, (Hoffman, Captain, and Sparhawk, Purser), for Savannah & reached home on the 13th of February 1873. Mrs Chaillé occupied the same room with me and the same bed, before we went to New York and at Mrs Crossley's and Dr Brindley's and Mrs McGonigal's in New York, and in my house after we returned from New York. Mrs Chaillé used Chloroform before she went to New York, abstaining for four or five weeks at a time, and

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{ Testimony continued. }

them indulging continuously for two or three days at a time, I never in my life saw her take Morphine; but I believed she was taking it at times, before she went to New York, from the effects. I observed, from the 26th of October, '72, to the 12th of February 1873, embracing the journey to and from New York & the stay in that City, I know that she did not take Chloroform, except when administered by Mrs. Grindell, for a few hours preceding the birth of her child, & once whilst she was in labor, Mrs. Grindell & I being out of the room, when she got out of bed, went to the table got the bottle of Chloroform & used it until she was fully under its influence when she was in labor and if she took Morphine I do not know it. I would not be surprised if she took some. After her return to Macou she did not use Chloroform or Morphine, until Dr. Chaillé wrote to B. H. Napier & expressed doubt that the child was here. After the Will of Mary was made, she did not take Chloroform or Morphine, until Mrs. Welch of Macou brought to my house a letter she had received from Mrs. Crossley of New York, who stated in the letter, which was read to me & to Mrs. Chaillé, that Dr. Chaillé was in New York, investigating the facts about the birth of the child & denouncing it as a fraud. At that time she was looking remarkably well, but from that time she did take it, up to the time of her death & I do not believe that she ever left her room after that day, until she was carried from it after her death. When I left home in May 1873, a few days before the Will was made, say about the 9th of May Mrs. Chaillé was not taking Chloroform or Morphine & when I reached home the day after the Will was made, she was not taking Chloroform or Morphine or as far as I know suffering from the effects of these articles. { Neither my son Brigge or George, the wife of George, or the wife of Treasillian, or Mary Walsh or any one else, ever told me that Mrs. Chaillé was under the influence of Chloroform or Morphine, when the Will of the 14th of May '73, was made. } Answer in last sentence objected to. Our object in going to New York was that Mrs. Chaillé wished to consult a doctor to ascertain, if she was really enceinte, or whether she had a false conception. I was not in good health, & Dr. Holt advised me to go with Mrs. Chaillé, stated that he thought the trip might add ten years to my life. C^t would not have gone on my own account. I begged Mrs. Chaillé not to go & asked her to permit Dr. Holt & Dr. Nottingham, to examine her, but she refused & insisted upon going & said that she would go alone if I would not go with her. After we reached New York, Mrs. Grindell was the only medical attendant and adviser of my daughter. Mrs. Chaillé saw Mrs. Grindell for the first time I think during the second week, in November, and I think at Mrs. Grindell's house, Mrs. Grindell afterwards called at Mrs. Crossley's several times - probably three times before we went to her house.

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To see Mrs. Chaillé on the 28th of Dec. went three or four times to Mrs. Crossley's, Mrs. Crossley of the party. The party left & returned after besides Mary gentlemen. I of Decr 1873, the day, but I fit a dress, at Mrs. Crossley's Mrs. Crossley's baby clothing & the larger part three parcels day after the corner of Ely Crossley's to I then went clothing from colored boy. he called for the same a until we had press office in daughters came days, before of December except the Cot. afterwards time and

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To a future 1874.

J. N. White J. L. Nisbet

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To see Mrs Chaillé, I never saw Mrs Grindley until we went to her house on the 28th of December 1873. Whilst we were at Mrs Crossley's, Mrs Chaillé went there or four times to see Mrs Grindley at her house. Whilst at Mrs Crossley's, Mrs Chaillé went to Bergen Point in New Jersey; as the others of the party told me on their return, to hear a reading by Miss Potter. The party left Mrs Crossley's after dinner which was at 1 o'clock P.M. & returned after I had gone to bed. There were three ladies in the party, besides Mary Chaillé & Frank Crossley, & probably two or three other gentlemen. We went from Mrs Crossley's to Mrs Grindley's on the 28th of Decr 1873, about 7 o'clock P.M. having intended to go earlier in the day, but being detained by Miss Harned's coming to Mary to fit a dress, which delayed Mary's packing. We did not tell anyone at Mrs Crossley's where we were going. Our baggage was left at Mrs Crossley's, except our satchels & a small trunk, containing baby-clothing, which Mrs Chaillé carried with her from Macow & the larger part of which Mrs. Chaillé had made herself. These three parcels of baggage were carried with us in the sleigh. On the day after the birth of the child, I went to an Express Office on the corner of Eighth Street & engaged a man to take a trunk from Mrs Crossley's to Mrs Grindley's, giving him the number of each house. I then went to Mrs Crossley's, when I took some of my daughter's clothing from her trunk & put it in mine & gave direction to the colored boy at Mrs Crossley's to deliver it to the Expressman when he called for it. The Expressman delivered it at Mrs Grindley's on the same day. My daughter's trunk remained at Mrs Crossley's until we had engaged rooms at Mrs McGonigal's. The same Express office which had my trunk carried to Mrs Grindley's, had my daughter's carried to Mrs McGonigal's. It was carried there two or three days, before we went there. When I went to Mrs Crossley's on the 31st of December, I don't think I saw any of the inmates of the house, except the colored boy, who waited at the table. I went there once afterwards; whilst at Mrs Grindley's, but cannot recall the precise time and once again at Mrs McGonigal's.

Amended, submitted & sworn to before us when the Com^l adjourned to a future day, to complete Mrs Napier's testimony - May 28th 1874.

L. N. Whittle Com^l {S.S.}
J. S. Nisbet Com^l {S.S.}

M. C. Napier

Recorded May 6th 1886.

J. A. McManus,
Ordinary.

Last Will and Testament of Sam Taylor.

Georgia, } I, Sam Taylor being in feeble health, but of sound,
Bibb County. } mind and memory do make this my last will
and Testament.

Item 1st To my daughter Lou Taylor I leave the sum of five dollars
Item 2^d The rest and residue of my Estate both real and personal
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Delia Ann Taylor.
I appoint my said wife Delia Ann Taylor my executor to carry out
this Will.

Signed and sealed in
the presence of us who saw
the testator sign the same as
his last Will and Testament
who signed the same as witnesses
in his presence and in the presence
of each other, the words "I give to"
erased & the word "to" inserted before
signing.

Sam^l X Taylor.
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John A. Macmillan,
Mary Macmillan,
Mary Strozier.

Georgia, } I do solemnly swear that the attached writing
Bibb County. } contains the true last will of the within named
Sam Taylor deceased so far as I know or believe
and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance
with the laws of this State, so help me God.

Proven to & subscribed before me
this June 10 1886.

J. A. McManis,

Ordinary.

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Georgia, } Before me came Mary Strozier, named as a witness to
Bibb County. } the within writing purporting to be Sam Taylor's last
will and being duly sworn said that she with John A.
Macmillan and Mary Macmillan at the request of Sam Taylor
and in his presence did attest as witnesses the within writ-
ing at his Sam Taylor's will, that the same was signed and
published by Sam Taylor in their presence as his last will, that
he was at the time of said attestation and signing by himself of
sound and disposing mind and memory, that he executed the within paper voluntarily
Proven to & subscribed before me, this June 10th 1886. } Mary A. Strozier
J. A. McManis, Ordinary.

Recorded this June 15th 1886
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Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Julia P. Jones

Georgia } In the name of God Amen
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Feb. 1885 } I, Julia P. Jones Widow of John L. Jones late of said
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 Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Will or Wills
 heretofore made by me.

After all my debts are paid, I make the following Gifts,
 Legacies, and Requests, hereby disposing of all the property and
 rights of property of which I may die possessed; or to which I
 may be entitled, wherever the same may be situated, and
 in whatever the same may consist.

1st To Frederick Jones, surviving brother of my late husband,
 and in case of his decease to his wife Mary F. Jones I bequeath
 three thousand (\$3,000) dollars.

2d To each of his four daughters, Cornelia Jones Ashton, wife
 of Rev. James W. Ashton, Frederica F. Smith, wife of Walter Smith
 Calo. Eugenia Jones and Julia Lewis Jones, each one thousand
 dollars making the sum of four thousand dollars.

3d To Francis L. Brown Widow of Wm. L. Brown at present living
 in Brookfield Missouri I give three thousand dollars (sister of
 my late husband)

4th To her son John L. Brown living in Missouri. I bequeath
 one thousand dollars.

5th To the three cousins of my late husband, viz. Mrs. Elizabeth
 Hill, Mrs. Louisa Kimberly and Mrs. Mary Kimberly, all living
 at present in West Haven Connecticut, one thousand dollars
 each - making the sum of three thousand dollars.

6th To my beloved Nephew John L. Nichols, son of Wm. Land
 my only sister Harriet P. Nichols (both deceased) at present liv-
 ing in Salinas City California I give and bequeath in trust
 fifteen thousand dollars for the benefit of himself, his pres-
 ent or any future wife and then to his children share and
 share alike, but should said Nephew die leaving no children,
 or descendants of children, his wife so surviving him shall
 have and take five thousand dollars part of said fifteen
 thousand dollars (\$15,000) in fee for her own use and benefit, the
 remaining ten thousand dollars to revert to his brother
 Capt. Wm. P. Nichols Salinas City, Calo. for his life, and then
 to his wife and children.

X inserted before this Will was signed

7th I give and bequeath to my Nephew William P. Nichols
 of Salinas City California in trust for the benefit of himself,
 his present or any future wife for life, and then to his chil-
 dren share and share alike, fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars

8th To Julian Parkinson Nichols son of said Wm. P. Nichols

Julia P. Jones

Julia P. Jones

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Julia P. Jones.

I give One thousand (\$1,000) dollars—

10 To Capt. Wm J. Seymour son of my beloved friends late Isaac B. & Caroline E. Seymour (deceased now residing in N. Orleans, I give one thousand. To his son Wm Gordon Seymour (my God-son) the like sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).—

11 To Mrs. Mary Smith (widow of Chandler Smith) I give Five hundred dollars (\$500).—

12 To my God daughter, and name sake Mrs. Julia Jones Williams, daughter of Chandler Smith—residence N. York City I give \$500 dollars

13 To my cousin Mrs. Charlotte V. Barker at present residing with me I give four thousand (\$4,000) dollars. — —

14 To Norris Wilcox, son of my cousin Edward A. Wilcox—Nephew, and adopted son of Mrs. C. V. Barker, I give ten Shares (10) South Western R. Road Stock to be held in trust by Mrs. C. V. Barker for his sole use and benefit.

15 To my dear friend Mrs. Mary Bailey living in South Charleston N. Hampshire (Widow of Col. F. I. Bailey) I give one thousand dollars in case of her death to her sister Mrs. Robertson—

16 To my Cousin George Cornwell of Savannah Ga. I give my brick store on Mulbury St. in Macon built and occupied by my late husband as his place of business.

17 To Mrs. Sarah Thivens and Mrs. Annie P. Chipman both daughters of Mr. George Cornwell and living in Savannah I give each one thousand dollars making the sum of two (2) thousand dollars—

18 To Charles Cotton Blackshear son of Albert and Mariah Blackshear I give five hundred dollars if he is not living at my decease this sum must revert to my estate—

19 To my God daughter, Ella Baber Blackshear, daughter of Wm & Mariah Baber Blackshear, I give five hundred dollars.

20 To my God daughter Edith Trevor Johnson daughter of Rev. Benjamin and Catharine E. Johnson I give five hundred dollars (\$500) to be paid to her mother for her use and benefit—Residence Charleston S. C.

21 To Augusta Plant I bequeath five hundred (\$500) dollars at present living in Macon daughter of Mrs. Sarah Plant.

22 To Mrs. Catharine A. Elliott widow of Rev. James Elliott living in Marietta Ga. I give five hundred dollars

23 To Miss Sarah Bivins I give One thousand (1,000) dollars

24 I give and bequeath to Mrs. Virginia Soper and her sister, Miss Georgina Conner, both living in Macon five hundred dollars each—making the sum of \$1,000.

25 To Julia Cobb daughter of Col. Howell Cobb (deceased) and Mrs. Mary Cobb I give five hundred dollars (\$500)

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- 26 I give to my God daughter Julia Blanche Nell daughter of my late friend Nathan C. Munroe (deceased; ten shares South Western Rail Road Stock - wife of Capt John M. Still Sunny Side Tex.
- 27 I give to Bertha, Edith and Mable daughters of Gen E. E. Bradley New Haven Conn five hundred dollars each - making fifteen hundred dollars - This sum to be paid to Gen Bradley and held in trust for his daughters -
- 28 To Emma B. Clarke wife of Mr Bailey Clarke, born on my place and remaining with us after Emancipation, always devoted to our interest and our loving friend and devoted nurse in sickness, I give Thirty shares of South Western Rail Road Stock for her sole use and benefit, and to dispose of by will as she may think best. - (30 Shares)
- 29 To Sarah Wammack (Emma's sister) daughter of Harriet Wright I give ten shares of South Western Rail Road Stock (10) for her sole use and benefit during her life and then to her children if she has any. If she has no children or descendants of children then to dispose of by will as she may choose - her present husband or any she may have hereafter shall have no right, or title to any part of this Bequest -
- 30 To Mary Lottie Bailey born on our place and freed by the Emancipation Act, I give and bequeath the house and lot on which she lives in front of Harriet Wright's old place in Tennille, her husband or any husband she may have hereafter to have no right or title thereto - I also give her on the same terms ten (10) shares of S. Western Rail Road Stock. She may use this property during her life and then it must be given by her will to her children -
- 31 To Christ Church (Episcopal) Macomb Ga. I give One thousand dollars - To the Mission of said Church one thousand (1,000) dollars to be safely invested by the Wardens and Vestry of said Church the interest or income only to be used - I also give to Christ Church one thousand (1,000) dollars to be invested by Wardens and Vestry of said Church - the interest accruing therefrom to be appropriated annually towards the payment of the Bishop's salary - making in all three thousand (3,000) dollars to Christ Church -
- 32 I also give five hundred (\$500) dollars to be placed in the hands of Mr Henry Cutter and to be safely invested by him; the income only to be used for the poor of the Parish of Christ Church - Of this amount I wish one dollar to be given monthly to my God daughter, Mrs Sarah Cunningham a poor and worthy communicant of our Church living at present in East Tenn.
- 33 To the Appleton Church Maine I give one thousand dollars (\$1,000)

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34 To the Ladies Aid, or sewing society of Christ Church in which I have been for so many years interested. I give the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be placed in the hands of Mr Henry J. Cutter, in trust for safe investment and the income only used annually for the benefit of said Society.

35 I wish the sum of five hundred dollars to be invested by my Executor and left in trust with him, the interest to be paid semi annually to Emma B. Clark, or her husband William Bailey Clark, for the purpose of keeping our lot at the Cemetery in perfect order.

36 I give my house and lot in Macon on the Corner of Walnut & Third Street to the Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church applied by them for a Retreat, or Christ Church Home for Indigent Ladies of the Parish and such other persons as the Wardens and Vestry, or a Committee appointed by them may select as worthy; and in need of its protection. To endow this Home I appropriate the House and lot on Walnut Street in which I live and also the residuum of my estate after paying the foregoing Legacies and all other indebtedness.

I nominate and appoint my Cousin George Cornwell of Savannah Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and request him to execute it for me; but if from any cause he fail to do so, I request Henry Cutter and Capt W. W. Barnes both living in Macon Ga. to act as my Executors and execute this Will for me.

Julia P. Jones

Georgia, }
Bibb County. } The above and foregoing, declared, written & published by Julia P. Jones as and for her last Will and Testament in our presence, this February 18th 1885, and we have subscribed the same as witnesses at her request, in her presence, and in presence of each other.

L. N. Whittle
J. R. Winchester
J. M. Whittle

Georgia, }
Bibb County. }
Oct 20th 1885

A. Codicil

In this Codicil I expressly confirm my former Will dated Feb 13th 1885 excepting so far as the disposition of my property is changed by this Codicil.

In the 3d Item of my Will I bequeathed to Frederica Jane Smith, wife of Walter Smith and daughter of Frederick Jones

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(my deceased husband's brother,) One thousand dollars. In consideration of having paid her certain sums of money at different times I reduce this amount to 700, seven hundred dollars —

The amount of Bequests made to Sarah Wamsbach and Mary L. Bailey (Colonel) I wish safely invested, and interest paid to them semi-annually —

I give To John Wesley Whight, brother of Emma B. Clarke, born and brought up on my lot — the sum of \$500 five hundred dollars —

To Henry Dudley who has served me faithfully while living with me, and has a large and increasing family I give the house in which he lives on Madison St. He is to be exonerated from all indebtedness to my estate. The Deeds to this property are in Mr S. C. Plant's Bank and they are to be delivered into his possession. He has already made monthly payments on the house, and partly cancelled his debt. See Acc^t Book.

I wish made over to Squire Stevens the Little Deed To his House and lot and all indebtedness to me cancelled. Titles are deposited in Mr. S. C. Plant's Bank —

I revoke the item in my Will leaving John B. Brown, Nephew of my deceased husband, one thousand dollars and give him a legacy instead of \$500⁰⁰ (Five hundred dollars)

Julia P. Jones

The above and foregoing Codicil was written by Julia P. Jones on the 20th October 1885 and we have subscribed to the same as witnesses in her presence and in presence of each other.

R. H. Plant
Luther Williams
J. C. Plant

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Having provided for my friends Mrs. Mary E. Bailey and Mrs. Mary Kimberly (one of the three sisters named in my Will — Cousins of my husband) in my life time. I hereby revoke, and make null and void the legacies given to them in this my Will —

Mr David B. Woodruff is still owing for debts contracted during my husband's life time, for rent. At his death these rent notes were placed in Mr Whittle's hands for collection and at this date are still in his possession. If this debt is not settled before my decease I give and bequeath all notes and papers of indebtedness appertaining thereto, to my cousin Mrs C. T. Barker —

If the Stock I purchased in the Marshall Loom Company through Rev W. S. Fitch Brooklyn N. York for said Company is appreciated in value I wish the stock or out of the same

Last Will and Testament and Codicil of Mrs. Julia P. Jones.

divided between Miss Sarah Bivins and Mrs. G. V. Barker.
This is intended as a Codicil to my last Will dated Feb 1885
I appoint Mrs C. T. Barker Trustee to the legacy left to Morris Wilcox,
by me in my Will.

I wish the interest of the sum to be used for his sole use and benefit
till he is of age. In case of his discease to revert to Mrs C. T. Barker,
Julia P. Jones

Signed in our presence
Jan. 14 1886.

R. H. Plant
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Georgia, } In the Court of Ordinary of said County
Bibb County. } June Term 1886.

In open Court at the regular June Term 1886 of
said Court, came J. R. Winchester, who being duly sworn deposed
and says that he saw Julia P. Jones sign and publish the within
as her last will and testament, on the thirteenth day of February
1885, and at the time of said signing and publishing she was
of sound and disposing mind and memory. That he and the
other witnesses to said will, to wit, J. M. Whittle and L. N. Whittle,
the last named being dead, signed the same as witnesses, for her,
at her request and in her presence, and in the presence of
each other, and that the same was executed voluntarily by her
on the day on which it purports to have been executed.

J. R. Winchester

Sworn to & subscribed before me, while attached to the said orig-
inal will in open Court at the regular June T. 1886.

J. A. McIlhenny

Ordinary.

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Bibb County. }

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In open Court at this the regular June Term thereof,
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that he saw Julia P. Jones sign and publish the within
her last will and testament, on the thirteenth (13th) day of
February in the year 1885 and that at the time of her said
signing and publishing she was of sound and disposing mind
and memory. That he and the other witnesses to said will
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ed voluntarily by her on the day on which it purports to have been executed. Witness further deposes that L. W. Whittle, one of the witnesses to said will is now dead - and that he saw him sign the said will as a witness at the request of the testatrix and in her presence.

James M. Whittle

Known to & subscribed before me and while attached to the original will, in open Court June Term 1886.

J. A. McEllanau,
Ordinary.

Georgia, } Before me on the 22^d day of March 1886 in open Court,
Bibb County. } in said County, for the purpose of proving the last will and testament of Julia P. Jones, late of said County deceased personally came James M. Whittle, one of the three witnesses to the said will; and the will having been, together with the codicils thereto, brought before me upon that time for probate, by the executor named therein, George Cornwell, who has filed a petition for the probate of the same he the said witness deposes and says that he saw the said Julia P. Jones sign and publish the said will on the 18th day of February 1886, as her last will & testament on the day and year then stated, as executed by her, the said will being now here shown to the witness and thereto attached, he and the other witnesses thereto, to wit: L. W. Whittle and J. R. Winchester witnessed the same at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other - that the same was voluntarily executed by her, while she was of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Known to & subscribed before me this } J. M. Whittle
the 22^d day of March 1886. }
J. A. McEllanau
Ordinary.

Georgia, } Before me on the 22^d day of March 1886, in open
Bibb County. } Court, in said County for the purpose of proving two Codicils to the last will and testament of Mrs Julia P. Jones, late of said County deceased, the said Codicils being dated on the 20th day of October 1885; and the 14th day of January 1886 respectively, personally came R. H. Plant, one of the three witnesses to each of said Codicils, the said will and the Codicils thereto having been before that time brought before me for probate by George Cornwell, the executor named in said will, who has filed a petition for the probate of the same. He the said witness deposes and says that he saw the said Julia P. Jones, sign and publish the said Codicils to her last will and testament as such, on the days and years therein stated, as executed by her, the said Codicils being now shown to the witness and that he and the other witnesses thereto, to wit, Luther Williams and S. C. Plant, to the Codicil dated the 20th day of October 1885, and George N. Plant and W. H. Plant to the Codicil dated the 14th day of January 1886.

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Worley, to the Codicil dated the 14th of January 1886, witnessed the same at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, and that the same were voluntarily executed by her while she was of sound and disposing mind and memory.

For me to be subscribed before me
this 22^d day of March 1886.

J. A. McManus,

Ordinary.

Georgia,

Bibb County.

In the Court of Ordinary of said County.

June 7th 1886.

At the regular June Term 1886, of said County came R. H. Plant, Luther Williams and J. C. Plant, who being duly sworn depose and say that they saw Julia P. Jones sign and publish the within Codicil, as a Codicil to her last will and testament, and at the time of said publishing and signing she was of sound and disposing mind and memory, that they and each of them witnessed the same for her, and at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other, and that the same was executed voluntarily by her on the day it purports to have been executed. Witness on the 20th day of October 1885.

J. C. Plant

R. H. Plant

Luther Williams

For me to be subscribed before me in open Court while attached to said original Codicil. June Term 1886.

J. A. McManus

Ordinary.

Georgia,

Bibb County.

In the Court of Ordinary of said County,

June Term 1886.

At the regular June Term 1886, of said Court came R. H. Plant, George H. Plant and W. W. Whigley, who being duly sworn depose and say that they saw Julia P. Jones sign and publish the within Codicil as a Codicil to her last will and testament and that at the time of said publishing and signing she was of sound and disposing mind and memory, that they and each of them witnessed the same for her, and at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other, and that the same was executed voluntarily by her on the day it purports to have been executed.

Geo. H. Plant

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W. W. Whigley

For me to be subscribed before me, in open Court at the regular June Term 1886, and while attached to said original Codicil.

J. A. McManus,
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Last Will and Testament of Joseph N. Johnston.

Geo. Bibb Co. } This is to certify that I am in my right mind,
May 23-1886 } and feeling that my end may be drawing nigh,
I hereby make this my last will and Testament.

In the first place, for the love and affection which I bear for my
for my beloved wife, I will to her all my real estate and personal
property, except one mule, Emma, to have and to hold during her nat-
ural life. The mule Emma I will to Charles W. Howard, possession
given at the end of next fall.

I also will to C. W. Howard the Bazemore Place, at the death of my
wife.

All the remainder of my property, except the Bazemore Place, above
named, I will and bequeath to nephew Willie Johnston, now in Texas,
at the death of my wife.

I repeat, I will all both real and personal, to my wife during
her natural life.

Signed, sealed, this May 23-1886.

J. N. Johnston (Sd)

Signed in presence of

J. F. Lumsden

H. S. Howard

W. G. Bass

Georgia,

Bibb County.

Before me came J. F. Lumsden, named as a
witness to the within writing, purporting to be Joseph
N. Johnston's last will and being duly sworn, said that he with
H. S. Howard and W. G. Bass, at the request of J. N. Johnston, and
in his presence, did attest as witnesses the within writing as his
J. N. Johnston's will; that the same was signed and published by
J. N. Johnston in their presence as his last will; that he was at the
time of said attestation and signing by himself of sound and
disposing mind and memory; that he executed the within
paper voluntarily.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this June 22^d 1886.

J. A. McManus

Ordinary.

J. F. Lumsden

Recorded June 22^d 1886.

J. A. McManus,

Ordinary.

Last Will and Testament of Lucy Day.

Hinsonville Bibb Co. Ga.

April 21 1885.

I Lucy Day of the County Bibb State of Georgia being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following; that is to say: I give, devise and to my beloved Annie Jones the house and land that I now live on which contains five acres more or less to be to her and her heirs forever after my decease and bear my funeral expenses & just debts be paid.

I give Annie Jones the sum of Twelve dollars \$12⁰⁰ To collect from Joshua West for the rent of land for the 1884 and a part 1884 to be to her and her heirs forever after my decease and I do not owe (\$1⁰⁰) one in world.

I give To Annie Jones all house furniture and personal property contained in this will and to use them for her own benefit as she may see fit after my death.

And last I appoint and make said Annie Jones executrix and executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking and annulling all former Wills by me and ratifying and confirming this and no other, to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto set my hand this Twenty first day of April A. D. 1885.

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Lucy X Day (S.L.)
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Signed, published and declared by the above named Lucy Day as her last Will and Testament, in presence of us, who, at her request have signed as witnesses of the same.

J. A. Brooks
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John H. Dawson
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Georgia } I do solemnly swear that the within writing
(Bibb County) contains the true last Will of Lucy Day deceased as far as I know or believe and that and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State to keep me God.
I have Subscribed before me
this 26 day of June 1886.

J. A. McManus
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J. A. McManus, Ordinary

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Last Will and Testament of James E. Evans.

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I James E. Evans of the City of Savannah and County of Chatham and State aforesaid, well knowing the uncertainty of human life, and deeming it wise and proper that I should make a testamentary disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me; and having full faith and confidence in the religion of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, I do make, ordain, establish and declare and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills by me made.

Item 1st I desire and direct that any body of ~~there is a plain and dicent~~ ~~intemperance~~ ~~such~~ place as my dear wife shall direct.

Item 2nd I desire and direct that so soon after my death as practicable, all my just debts be paid.

Item 3rd In the payment of my debts I direct, that, in as much as I have a policy on my life in the St. Louis Mutual Life Insurance Co for the sum of Three thousand Dollars upon which I expect to pay the premiums or instalments as they may become due, I direct that my Executors hereinafter named, shall pay all my debts out of the amount that may be realized from said policy. But if the said policy, by any means shall fail to realize means to pay my just debts, then it is my will and desire that my said debts be paid out of my Estate.

Item 4th After the payment of my debts as provided for out of the aforesaid Policy, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Permelia J. Evans, free from any restrictions whatever, all and any sum or sums of money that may be due on my said Policy of Life Insurance.

Item 5th After the payment of my debts as aforesaid I give and bequeath to my said wife Permelia J. Evans, for and during her natural life, my house and lot situated in the City of Atlanta Georgia, and known and distinguished in the plan of said City as lot No Fifty one on Levy Street, together with all and singular the rights members and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining with the express condition that her life interest is not to be sold or disposed of, or in any way to be liable for debts she may contract.

Item 6 I also give and bequeath unto my said wife all my household and Kitchen furniture, for and during her natural life as aforesaid.

Item 7 It is my will and desire that my said wife Permelia J. Evans shall have and enjoy my said house and lot as a home for herself and such of her children and grand children as she may desire and see proper to have live with her, the premises being subject to her absolute control and management during her natural life.

James E. Evans

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Item 8. Should my beloved wife prefer not to occupy said house as a home, it is my will in that event that she rent said house keeping it in repair and insured, and that she appropriate the remainder of the rent to her own use and benefit, or to the use of such of ~~my~~ ^{our} children and grand children as in her judgment most needs her help during her natural life. I desire and direct that the house and premises be kept in repair and insured, and the taxes paid regularly.

Item 9. After the death of my said wife it is my will and I direct that the aforesaid house and lot, furniture and all things thereunto appertaining, be placed in the hands of a Trustee to be held and used by him for the use and benefit of the most needy of my children and grand children in the manner hereinafter provided.

Item 10. It is my will that upon a recommendation of a majority of my living children at the death of my wife, the Court of Ordinary of Fulton County, State of Ga, appoint the Trustee aforesaid, who shall hold the aforesaid property for the uses aforesaid, making his returns to the Court in due form of law.

Item 11. I direct that said Trustee shall keep said house and lot as a home for the most necessitous of my children and grand children, of which he and the Court of Ordinary shall judge, requiring always from the occupants money to keep the premises in repair and insured and the taxes paid from year to year.

Item 12. If in the judgment of said Trustee and the Court of Ordinary of said County, it be deemed best for the parties at interest, to rent the aforesaid property and after paying for repairs, insurance and taxes, to divide the remainder of the income from rents, from year to year among the most needy of my children and grand children, said Trustee is directed so to do.

Item 13. It is my will, and I so direct, that the aforesaid house, lot and furniture is in no way to be liable for any debts, contracts or obligations of said Trustee in person or as Trustee nor for any debts contracts or obligations of any of my children or grand children.

Item 14. If at any time a majority of my living children and legal representatives of deceased children, (should there be such) desire the trustee removed, or it becomes necessary to fill his place made vacant from any cause, the Court of Ordinary of the County aforesaid, upon proper showing by them made, shall remove said Trustee and appoint as successor the Trustee nominated to him by the Majority aforesaid, so as to keep a Trustee in charge of the property who shall be the choice of a majority of the parties at interest.

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Last Will and Testament of James E. Evans.

Item 1st If any time the Trustee, Court of Ordinary and a majority of the parties at interest under the Will, deem it best to sell the aforesaid property and divide the proceeds equally among my children Mary Ann Hase, Lucy A. M. Pittillo, S. J. Wriggularb Evans, W. Lee Evans Ella E. Newellen Evans and Anderson Pierce Evans, or their legal descendants and representatives in that event it is my Will, and I direct that the aforesaid Trustee shall sell the aforesaid property and divide the proceeds equally among my aforesaid named children or their legal representatives.

Item 1st Having full faith and confidence in my beloved wife, Pamelia J. Evans I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint her Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I the said James E. Evans have hereunto set my hand and seal at Savannah Ga on the Thirtieth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy One

James E. Evans (J. E.)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said James E. Evans to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers, who have hereunto, at his special instance and request written and affixed our names hereunto in the presence of each other and in the presence of the said James E. Evans. Done at Savannah in the State of Georgia on the Thirtieth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy one

L. M. Thayer

Wm. H. Bullock

Alfred B. Smith

Codicil To the foregoing Will of James E. Evans

Item 1 Having no Insurance Policy now, all that part of the foregoing will is declared hereby null and void, and my Executrix is hereby directed to sell so much of my property, in nine small Houses in Atlanta, as may be necessary to pay my debts, and meet all burial expenses, and in the support of my wife and such children, and grand children as she may keep with her.

Item 2nd All of Item five (5), in the foregoing will is retained, only transferring it to the house I now occupy on N. W. Corner of Academy Place and Wharf Streets, in the City of Macon Bibb County Ga. the house said Item describes does not now belong to me. Item (6) Six is retained in all its force; Item (7) Seven is also retained and made to apply to the house I now occupy in Macon; Item (8) Eight is retained and made to apply to this aforesaid house in Macon. Item (9) is also made to apply to the aforesaid house in Macon. Item (10) Ten (11) eleven (12) twelve (13) Thirteen and (14) fourteen

Last will and Testament of James E. Evans.

are retained, only substituting the County of Wilb, for Fulton County, wherever it occurs

Item 3. Item 16 in the aforesaid Will is cancelled; and the house and lot above named in Macon Bibb Co. Ga. shall be kept for the most needy of my children and their descendants; as the Trustee and Court of Ordinary of Bibb County Ga shall adjudge. Item (16) sixteen in the aforesaid Will is retained; which Will, with the changes declared in this Codicil, I do most solemnly declare to be my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand and seal the Twenty Fifth day
of July Eighteen Hundred and Eighty Three.

James E. Evans (Seal)

Witness. 25 July 1883

Henry L. Jewett

W. S. Canstarphero

R. E. Burney

Georgia, } I Henry S. Jewett, do swear, that I, as well as W. S.
Bibb County, } Canstarphew & R. E. Burney saw James E. Evans
sign and publish the within paper as a Codicil
to his last will and testament, that deponent subscribed
said Codicil as a witness thereto, at the special instance and
request of the said James E. Evans in his presence as did also
the said W. S. Canstarphew and R. E. Burney; that the said James
E. Evans signed the same freely & voluntarily and was at the
time of such signing, of sound & disposing mind & memory,
known to & subscribed before me this 4th June 1886. } Henry S. Jewett.

J. H. McManus,

Ordinary.

Henry S. Jewett.

Georgia, } By his Honor J. A. McManus, Ordinary of the
Bibb County. } Court of Ordinary for the County and State aforesaid.
D. W. W. Wilkinson & C. H. Dorsett Esqrs

meeting: Whereas, There is a certain matter of controversy now
 pending in the Ordinary's Court of said County, in the bo-
 dy of Bill of James E. Evans in Common Form and where-
 as Alfred B. Smith a material Witness in said suit, and can-
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hereto annexed, and the answers to the same being plainly and distinctly written, you are to send the same, closed up under your hands and seals, to our said Court, to be held on the First Monday in June next, together with this writ.

Witness the Honorable J. A. McAllanue Ordinary, of said Court, this Fourth day of June, 1886.

J. A. McAllanue Ordinary & Clerk.

In re
James E. Evans' Will
in Bibb Court of Ordinary

Petition for probate in
Common form.

Interrogatories to be exhibited to Alfred B. Smith a subscribing witness to the Will of James E. Evans, said witness residing out of said County of Bibb, to wit at Savannah Georgia.

Int. 1. Where do you reside? Where did you live on the 18th June 1871? Did you know James E. Evans in his life time, how long did you know him.

Int 2. Look at the instrument hereto attached purporting to be the will of James E. Evans and state whether you were present at its execution. Did you subscribe the same as a witness? at whose instance & request? Did you see James E. Evans sign and execute said will? When and where? What was the condition of his mind at the time of the Execution of the will? Did he or not have a sound & disposing mind and memory? Did he or not sign the same freely and voluntarily?

Int 3. What other persons subscribed the will as witnesses? Did you see them sign it as such? were they present when James E. Evans signed it, did they see him sign it? At whose instance and request did they sign as witnesses. Who are the other witnesses to said will, L. M. Thayer and Wm. H. Bullock. Was the will signed by James E. Evans in the presence of all the subscribing witnesses? Did all the witnesses subscribe the same as such in the presence of James E. Evans and of each other?

Int 4. State anything you know going to show that the paper attached hereto as the will of James E. Evans is his will and that it was by him freely & voluntarily made,

State of Georgia, } By virtue of a Commission from the Court
Chatham County, } of Ordinary of the County of Bibb in said
State directed to us we have caused Alfred

Last Will and Testament of Margaret A. Peacock.

Georgia, } I, Margaret A. Peacock of said County and State,
Bibb County } realizing the uncertainty of life and wishing to
make a disposition of the property, with which I am
blessed by Providence, do hereby declare and publish this my last
will and Testament=revoking all others:

Item First: I wish to be buried in a becoming and proper manner suitable
to my circumstances and condition in life.

Item Second: I desire and direct that if I should have any debts
unpaid, that they be paid as soon after my death as conven-
ient, by my Executor, hereinafter named.

Item Third: After the settlement of my indebtedness, if there should
be any, and the payment of my funeral expenses, I give
one half of my Estate, both real and personal, to Mrs. Ellen
Tissereau, and her three children share and share alike,
the children referred to being of Louis Tissereau—

Item Fourth: The other half of my said Estate I give to my sisters,
Mrs. Eliza Strayer and Mrs. Amanda Thomas, share and share
alike.

Item Fifth: My household furniture I give to my sister Mrs. Eliza
Strayer over and above the legacy given to her, in the
fourth Item of this my last Will, and this is therefore not
to be included in the disposition I have made of my
property in the third and fourth Item.

Item Sixth: I hereby nominate and appoint George Strayer Executor
of this my last Will and Testament,

Signed, declared and published as my last Will this June 26th
1886—
Margaret A. Peacock.

Signed and attested by us at the request of Testatrix, who sign-
ed the above Will in our presence. We signing and attesting
the same in her presence and of each other, this June 26th
1886.

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Georgia, } Before me came W. A. Lofton named as a witness to the
Bibb County } above and foregoing writing purporting to be Margaret
A. Peacock's last Will and being duly sworn, saith
that he with James A. Damour and Wm. Combs at the request of Margaret
A. Peacock and in her presence did attest as witnesses the above and
foregoing as her Margaret A. Peacock's Will that the same was signed
and published by Margaret A. Peacock in their presence as her
last Will, that she was at the time of said attestation and
signing by herself of sound and disposing mind
and memory; that she executed the above and
foregoing paper freely and voluntarily—

Last Will and Testament of Margaret A. Peacock.

Known to & subscribed before
me this July 15 1886.
J. A. McManus,
Ordinary.

W. A. Lofton

Georgia, } I do solemnly swear that the within writing con-
Bibb County. } tains the true last Will of the within named
Margaret A. Peacock deceased so far as I know or
believe and that I will well and truly execute the same in
accordance with the laws of this State, so help me God!
Known to & subscribed before
me this July 15 1886.
J. A. McManus,
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Recorded this July 16th 1886.

J. A. McManus,
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Last Will and Testament of Mrs Mary Louisa Lamar.

State of Georgia, } In the name of God, Amen
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of sound and disposing mind and memory, and being feeble
~~in body but of sound disposing mind and memory,~~ and being
desirous of disposing of my property while I have the strength and
opportunity so to do, do hereby make, ordain and publish this
my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills
by me at any time heretofore made.

Item 1st

I hereby give, devise and bequeath to my daughter Mary
Louisa Lamar my residence house and lot situated on High
and Orange Streets in the City of Macon and said County
of Bibb, excepting from the said lot only as much of the
same as is contained in the portion of the same herein
after given divided and bequeathed unto my daughter
Virginia Lamar Bacon. ^{Item 2^d - I give bequeath and devise to my daughter Virginia Lamar Bacon} the eastern half of the front yard
of my said residence lot in Macon included between
the front line on High Street and a line drawn Easter-
ly and Westerly across said lot ten feet on the North side
of the two large oak trees standing in front of my said
residence; the said half to be ascertained and determined by
drawing a line from the Centre of the front line of said
lot on High Street to the centre of the said line drawn
across said lot on the North side of said Oak tree.

Item 3^d

I give bequeath and devise to my two grand sons J. H. S. Ogden
and Monroe S. Ogden the (53rd) Five hundred and thirty seven
acres of land belonging to me in the County of Jones and said
State, the same being that portion of the plantation belonging
to the Estate of my late husband John Lamar, which was set
apart as my portion of the same by Roland S. Ross and four
other Commissioners duly appointed to appraise and divide
said property, under the appraisement and division made
November 27th 1884.

Item 4th

I give bequeath and devise to my two grand daughters
Mary Louisa Bacon and Augusta Lamar Bacon all of my
wild lands including lots of land (111) one hundred and
eleven in the (8th) Eighth District of Irwin County originally
and (21) two hundred and seventeen in the (9th) Ninth Dis-
trict of originally Irwin County, State of Georgia.

Item 5th

I desire that each of my children and grand children
shall have some suitable article of my personal property as
a legacy, and memento, and I direct that my daughter
Mary Louisa Lamar, hereinafter named as my executrix,
shall select and set apart that which is to be given to each
of them in carrying out this provision of my Will.

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Mary Louisa Lamar.

Item 1st I hereby give bequeath and devise unto my daughter Mary Louisa Lamar all the remaining portion of my Estate of every kind whatsoever not hereby otherwise disposed of.

Item 2nd I nominate, constitute and appoint my daughter Mary Louisa Lamar as the sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. I direct that she be not required to give any bond as said executrix, and that she shall not make any inventory of the property of my estate or be required to file in any Court any inventory, appraisement or return concerning the said property of my Estate, but that she be empowered to fully carry out and execute this Will in her own way, particularly as to the disposition of the personal property belonging to my estate, and without accountability to any one, as to said personal property or any part thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal in the presence of the witnesses subscribing hereunto, this (4) Fourth day of July (1886) Eighteen hundred and Eighty six. M. L. Lamar (L.S.)

The foregoing paper was on the said Fourth day of July Eighteen hundred and Eighty six, at Macon in the County of Bibb, Signed, sealed, published and declared by Mrs. Mary Louisa Lamar as her last Will and Testament in the presence of each of us, who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, do, on the day and year aforesaid, set our hands hereto as witnesses to the same.

Georgia S. Hines
Hannah S. Hines
A. O. Bacon

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Georgia, } I do solemnly swear that the within writing
Bibb County. } contains the true last Will of the within named
Mary Louisa Lamar deceased so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of the State, so help me God!

Known to & subscribed before

me this August 7th 1886.

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Ordinary. } Mary Louisa Lamar.

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Given to & subscribed before } Georgia S. Hines
me this August 7th 1886 } Hannah S. Hines
J. A. McManus, } A. C. Bacon
Ordinary.

Recorded this August 10th 1886
J. A. McManus
Ordinary.

Last Will and Testament of Eliza C. Brooker.

Know all men by these presents that I, Eliza C. Brooker of the County of Bibb, and State of Georgia, considering the uncertainty of this life, and being of sound mind and memory, do make declare and publish this my last will and testament,

First: I direct that my body be buried, in a neat, inexpensive casket, at such place as my grand daughter may select.

Second: After all my just debts, which include some notes due Robert E. Park for enlarging painting and improving my house at Holton Ga, are fully paid, I give and bequeath all the remainder, if any, of my estate, real, personal or mixed to my beloved grand daughter, Carrie Lumpkin Foster, to have and make use of, as she may elect,

I nominate and appoint James W. Myrick and R. E. Rouman as the Executors of this my last will and testament, without requiring any bond or security, or any Court return, and direct that my house and lot in Holton be duly advertised and sold at public outcry, unless satisfactory sale can be made in private, and, after full settlement of all my indebtedness, that the residue be paid over to my grand daughter Carrie Lumpkin Foster aforesaid. I loaned the husband of my grand daughter, Clifford Foster, Five One hundred dollar City of Macow Bonds, which I direct my Executor to collect and pay over to Mrs Carrie Lumpkin Foster.

In testimony whereof I have here subscribed my name and set my seal this the seventeenth day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Six.

Witnesses: W. R. Paschel } E. C. Brooker. (L.S.)
J. T. Dozier }
J. W. S. Howard }

Georgia, } Before me came J. T. Dozier, named as a witness
Bibb County. } to the within writing purporting to be E. C. Brooker's last Will and being duly sworn saith that he with W. R. Paschel and J. W. S. Howard at the request of E. C. Brooker and in her presence did attest as witnesses the within writing as her E. C. Brooker's Will; that the same was signed and published by E. C. Brooker in their presence as her last will; that she was at the time of said attestation and signing by herself of sound and disposing mind and memory; that she executed the within paper freely and voluntarily.

Given to and subscribed before me this August 9th 1886.

J. A. McManus
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Last Will and Testament of Eliza C. Brooker.

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of this State, so help me God!
Known to & subscribed before } R. O. Bousman
me this August 9th 1886. }
J. A. McManis,
Ordinary. }

Recorded this August 10th 1886.
J. A. McManis,
Ordinary.

The Last Will and Testament of Jane J. Brydie.

Georgia, } The last will and Testament of Jane J. Brydie of said
Bibb County, } County:

In the name of God Amen!

I, Jane J. Brydie being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and in good health, but impressed with the uncertainty of life, and being desirous of making a disposition of my property after my death, to avoid all question as to my wishes, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills executed by me at any previous time.

Item 1st I desire that my body be committed to the ground, to rest beside my dear husband A. Brydie on our lot in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Item 2nd I desire that my just debts shall all be paid, and in order to realize a fund for the same, I direct that my Executor hereinafter named, shall rent out for the term of one year from his qualification, my former residence on Walnut Street, and the income therefrom shall be used by him to pay funeral expences, and such other debts as I may owe at my death.

Item 3rd I further desire that out of said rental if so much remains, my Executor pay the sum of Fifty Dollars to the Presbyterian Church of Macon to be applied as per rent. In the faith of this Church I have lived, and hope to die.

Item 4th I further will and direct that at the end of the year my Executor sell either at public or private sale, in his discretion, for which I hereby give him all the power required, without an order of Court, my house and lot aforesaid on Walnut Street, and out of the proceeds pay the following legacies:

1. To my dear brother Charles W. Hancock the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.

2. To my niece Addie V. Hancock the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.

3. The balance arising from said sale I give and bequeath to Fannie B. Harris, whom I have raised, and to her daughter Carrie Edna Harris, to be equally divided between them. I desire that the share of the said Carrie E. shall be held in trust by her father and be paid to her on her graduation, or marriage, or when she becomes of age. Before the happening of one of these events she shall receive only the income of the same. No guardian shall be necessary.

Item 5th In case my Executor, W. E. Harris, Esq., hereinafter named, should desire to pay the two legacies mentioned in the preceding Item to my brother and niece aforesaid, out of his own personal funds, I hereby give him the option to do so, in which event no sale of the property mentioned

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in said item shall be necessary, but the same shall belong to his said wife Fannie B. Harris, and her daughter, Carrie, aforesaid, share and share alike, the part of said Carrie, to be held in trust by her father aforesaid, till she marries, or becomes of age.

In making the disposition contained in item 4th preceding, I value my house and lot at the sum of (\$3000) Three Thousand Dollars. If this sum should not be realized from the sale aforesaid, in case the same occurs, I desire the legacies in said item 4th to abate pro rata, in the distribution, so that whatever sum may be realized shall be divided in the said proportion, unless the same be more than \$3000. If the house and lot should sell for more than \$3000, then my brother & niece aforesaid shall have only the Five Hundred (500) Dollars, each, and the balance shall be divided as directed, between Fannie and Carrie, as aforesaid.

Item 5th I further give and bequeath all my bedroom furniture of every kind, including bed clothes and other like articles, to the said Carrie E. Harris. The rest of my furniture I give Fannie B. Harris.

Item 6th If there is any money collected, for my estate, from any other source, then the ones hereinbefore mentioned I will and desire that my Executor do pay the sum of Fifty Dollars, or whatever sum is so realized if less than this, to John W. Burke Jr. Son of Rev. Mr. W. Burke, as a slight testimonial of the love of his "Aunt Prydie". The money may be paid to him directly, whether he is of age or not.

Item 7th All the rest and residue of my property of every character not hereinbefore disposed of, I give and bequeath to the said Carrie E. Harris. On this dear little girl I have watched from her infancy, her mother and her grandmother, though in fact not related by blood by me, have been brought up by me, and for this child I have felt the tenderest love of my declining years. She has dwelt with me always. I know she will keep my memory when I am gone.

Item 8th I nominate and appoint N. E. Harris Esq. the Executor of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this the Eighth day of November A. D. 1881.

Jane J. Prydie.

Signed, sealed & published as the last will and testament of the said Jane J. Prydie in our presence, who at her request, and in her presence and in the presence

Last Will and Testament of Jane J. Brydie.

of each other have signed as witnesses thereto. The said Mrs Brydie being de-
prived of sight the said will was read
over to her aloud, by one of us, in the presence
of all, before she signed the same and
her hands, at her request, was guided
by us:

Alexander M. Harris
Patrick Henry Wright
Isaac Hardeman

Georgia, } Before me came Isaac Hardeman and Patrick
Bibb County. } Henry Wright, named as witnesses to the within
and annexed writing, purporting to be the last
will & Testament of Mrs Jane J. Brydie, late of said County, de-
ceased, and being duly sworn say that they, and each of them,
with Alexander M. Harris, at the request of said Jane J. Brydie,
and in her presence, did attest as witnesses the within writing
as her, Jane J. Brydie's will: that the same was signed and
published by Jane J. Brydie in their presence, to-wit: in
the presence of deponents and the said Alexander M. Harris,
as her last will; that she was at the time of said attestation
and signing by herself, of sound and disposing mind and
memory: that she executed the within paper voluntarily.
Sworn to & subscribed before me
this July 26 1886.

Isaac Hardeman
Patrick Henry Wright.
J. A. McManus
Ordinary.

Georgia, } By his Honor John A. McManus Judge of
Bibb County. } the Court of Ordinary for the County and
State aforesaid.

To E. A. Shiple and George W. Willett Esquires - Greeting:
Whereas, there is a certain matter of controversy now pending
in the Ordinary's Court of said County, between M. E. Harris, as executor
and the Heirs at Law of Mrs Jane J. Brydie - Motion to Probate
will &c. and whereas Alexander M. Harris is a material witness
in said suit, and cannot attend our said Court in person,
without manifest inconvenience: Now Know Ye, That we,
reposing special trust and confidence in your prudence
and fidelity, have appointed you, and you or any two of
you, are hereby authorized and required to cause the said
Alexander M. Harris, personally to come before you, and
after being duly sworn to examine him concerning the suit
appealing to the interrogatories hereto annexed, and the answers

Last Will and Testament of Jane J. Brydie.

to the same being plainly and distinctly written, you are to send the same, closed up under your hands and seals, to our said Court, to be held on the First Monday in September next, together with this Writ.

Witness the Honorable J. A. Williams Ordinary of said Court, this 31st day of July 1886.

J. A. Williams,
Clerk and Ordinary.

A. E. Harris, as Exr &c. }
Heirs at Law of }
Mrs Jane J. Brydie }

Motion to probate Will
In Solemn Form.
In Bibb Court of Ordinary.

Interrogatories to be propounded to Alexander H. Harris, one of the subscribing witnesses to said Will, who resides out of the County of Bibb, and in Jonesboro' Washington County Tennessee.

Interrogatory 1.

Look upon the annexed writing and state what it is - where & when you last saw it, and under what circumstances.

Interrogatories 2.

If you state that the writing is the last Will of Mrs Jane J. Brydie, state who signed it, - who were present - where it was signed, who signed as witnesses - in whose presence - Give the facts.

Interrogatory 3.

Was the Will read over before signing? If so, by whom? Did Mrs Brydie say anything concerning it? Is the paper annexed the one she signed? What was done with it?

Interrogatory 4.

What was the condition of Mrs Brydie's mind at the time of signing of the paper? Was she of sound or unsound mind? If you say sound - give your reasons. Was the Will executed voluntarily or otherwise? What compulsion or influence was brought to bear on her to procure the Will, if any? Give all the facts as you know them.

Hill & Harris

Attys for propounder.

State of Tennessee, } By virtue of a Commission from the
Washington County. } Court of Ordinary of Bibb County Georgia

we have caused Alexander H. Harris the person in said Commission named to come before us, who being duly sworn true answers to make to certain interrogatories thereto annexed deposeth and answereth as follows - The said Alexander H. Harris having without permission written out in our presence his own answers.

To the first Interrogatory he answers: I have looked

Last Will and Testament of Jane J. Brydie.

upon the annexed writing and recognize it. It is the last will and testament of Jane J. Brydie late of Bibb County, deceased. I last saw it at the time it bears date, to wit: November 8th 1881 at the house of N. E. Harris in Macow Ga. where Mrs Brydie resided. It was last seen by me at the time it was signed, I was there as a witness.

To the Second Interrogatory he answers:

The writing as stated is the will of Mrs J. J. Brydie. It was signed by Mrs Brydie in the sitting room of N. E. Harris in Macow and declared by her to be her last will and testament. There were present in the room and at the signing, Col. Isaac Hardeman Dr. P. H. Wright myself and Mrs Fannie B. Harris. The persons who signed as witnesses are Col. Isaac Hardeman Dr. P. H. Wright and myself.

The will was signed and declared in the presence of said three witnesses by Mrs Brydie and at her request the said three persons Alexander W. Harris, Patrick Henry Wright and Isaac Hardeman, signed the same as witnesses in her presence and in the presence of each other, Col Isaac Hardeman guided the hand of Mrs. Brydie at the time of the signing. I recognize the signature then made by Mrs Brydie as well as the signature of the witnesses.

To the Third Interrogatory he answers:

The will was read over in the presence of all of us, in the hearing of Mrs Brydie by Col. Hardeman before it was signed. At the conclusion of the reading Mrs Brydie declared it to be her will, and signed the same as above stated. The paper annexed is ~~the~~ the will that was read over signed and declared at the time and place aforesaid. I remember all of the bequests and know that the will annexed is the will read over at the time and signed and published by her as her last will and testament. I do not know what was done with it after it was signed; I last saw it in the hands of Col Hardeman.

Mrs Brydie herself explained the provisions of the will at the time of the signing, stating among other things that as she had always decided with Fannie and her folks it was right that she should receive the largest share of her property, she stated that she had taken care as a little child and brought her up, that she loved her very dearly, this she said with emotion.

To the Fourth Interrogatory he answers:

At the time of the signing of the will aforesaid Mrs. Brydie was of perfectly sound mind. She was a woman of unusual intelligence and discernment. I was boarding at the time at the same house. She conversed freely and

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