


my name, and affix my seal in presence of these witnesses  
Subscribing with me and with each other -

This the 5<sup>th</sup> of June in the year of our Lord One thous-  
and Eight Hundred and Fifty Seven

Signed and sealed  
in presence of  
Robt. A. Archer  
E. L. Patton  
Robt. C. Grier

for  
Mary X Murphy   
mark

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

Personally came E. L. Patton one  
of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, make oath  
that he was personally present, and did see Mary Murphy  
seyn, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the annexed  
paper to be her last will and Testament. - and that the  
Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind memory and  
understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief  
that Robt. A. Archer, and R. C. Grier, together with  
himself, and in the presence of the Testatrix, and in the  
presence of each other, did sign their names, as witnesses  
to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this  
23<sup>rd</sup> Decr 1857  
William Hill o.a.d.

E. L. Patton

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

Having examined E. L. Patton  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Mary  
Murphy de<sup>d</sup>. Ordained that it be admitted to Probate in Common  
form.

23<sup>rd</sup> Decr 1857

William Hill o.a.d.

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

Personally came J. L. Murphy  
Executor named in the annexed will, and being sworn on  
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says  
that the within paper is the true last will of the said  
Mary Murphy de<sup>d</sup>. and that he will well and truly

execute the same by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the Law charge him - that he will make and return into the Office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by Law.

sworn to before me  
23 Decr. 1857.

H. L. Murphy

William Hill & Co

### Last Will and Testament of John Matthews.

I, John Maths of Abbeville District South Carolina enjoying good health and of sound mind do hereby make this my last Will and Testament revoking all others.

After resigning my spirit to my god who gave it. And my body to the earth from where it come I desire to give and bequeath what property I may leave at my death in the following manner I do hereby give and bequeath to my wife nancy mathis all my land and negros and all other property I may leave at my death for her to hold during her natural life And at her death I wish all the property to be sold for the benefit of my Daughter Mary A Dabbs and Children to John Mathis Dabbs my grandson I will and bequeath the price of a negro boy named Denis Adan or should he die the price of a negro girl named Ellen Larina over and above an equal division of the property and the balance of said property when sold to be equally divided between my Daughter Mary A Dabbs and her children I seal and sign this the 10 day of January 1858 in the year of our Lord 1858

Andrew Cobb

Joseph Milford

Martin Delany

John Matthews (S)

I do hereby appoint J. D. Clugh Executor to this my last Will and Testament January the 10. 1858

Morris

Andrew Cobb

Joseph Milford

Martin Delany

John Matthews (S)

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came Joseph Milford  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and  
being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God  
makes oath that he was personally present and did see  
John Mathis sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare  
the said paper to be his last will and Testament - and  
that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory  
and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief,  
that Andrew Cobb, and Martin Delany together with  
himself, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the  
presence of each other, did sign their names as witnesses  
to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this

20 January 1858

W. Hill. o. A. D.

Joseph Milford.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Having examined Joseph Milford  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and  
being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament,  
of John Mathis decd. Ordered that it be admitted to  
Probate in common form

20 Janry 1858

William Hill o. A. D.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came P. D. Blugh  
Executor named in the within will, and being sworn  
on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says  
that the within paper is the true last will of the said  
John Mathis decd, and that he will well and truly  
execute the same by paying first the debts and then the  
Legacies therein contained so far as the goods and chat-  
tels will extend and the Law charge him - that he will  
make and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the  
said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the  
Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by  
Law

Sworn to before me

this 20 January 1858

W. Hill

o. A. D.

P. D. Blugh

(Last Will & Testament of Pierce Little dec'd)

"The Last Will and Testament of Pierce Little of Abber-  
ville District South Carolina. I Pierce Little considering  
the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound  
mind and memory do make and publish this my  
last will and Testament in manner and form  
following first it is my will and desire that all  
of my Property Both Real and personal should be  
kept together untill my son James R. Little arrives  
at the age of Twentyone year for the use and benefit  
and maintainance of my wife and children namely  
Sarah. A. Little and James R. Little it is my desire  
that my son James R. Little should be sent to school  
at least three years I desire that his tuition and  
all necessary expenses should be paid out of my  
Estate and when James R. Little arrives at the age  
of Twentyone year that all of my Estate Both Real  
and personal together with the proceeds of the crops  
over a support Interest on monies arising from  
the sales of produce or property of any kind the  
same to be Equally divided between my wife  
Parasy Little Sarah. A. Little and James. R. Little  
I hereby Appoint my wife Parasa Little my Executrix  
of this my last Will and Testament and Empower  
her to manage and carry out the above will I  
hereby Empower her if either of my Negroes Boys name-  
ly Patouck Mack Cezar should become unruly or  
unmanageable by her that she may sell them and  
buy other negroes or put the money at Interest for  
the use and benefit of my Estate as above mentioned  
if my wife should Mary before my son James R.  
Little arrives of age I desire that my property be  
sold and an Equal division take place as above  
stated further if my wife should die before the time  
that my son James R. Little becomes of age I then  
Empower and Appoint Simpson Waite my Executor  
in the place of his sister my wife it is my will and  
desire that when my son James. R. Little become of  
age that he shall and I Appoint him my Execu-  
tor to act with my then acting Executrix or Executor  
that may be acting at the time it is my will and

desire that all of my property then shall be sold and Equally divided as above stated. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 24<sup>th</sup> September (1857) in the year of Our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty seven

Pierce Little *PL*

Witnesses { James Owens  
Daniel Rampsey  
Robert Cheney

State of South Carolina } Personally came Robert Cheney  
Abbeville District } one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Pierce Little sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the said paper to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that James Owens and Daniel Rampsey, together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names, as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me  
15 Feby 1858.

W. Hill. C. A. D.

Robert Cheney.

State of South Carolina } Having examined Robert Cheney  
Abbeville District } one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Pierce Little de'd -

Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

15 Feby 1858

W. Hill. C. A. D.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Eresa Little  
Abbeville District } Executrix named in the annexed Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said Pierce Little de'd; and that she will will and truly execute the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law charge her - that she will make and return into the office of

the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory  
and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased,  
within the time prescribed by laws

sumon to before me

15 Feby 1858.

W. Hill. o. a. d.

Teresa Little

Note: Mrs Little having departed this life - Simpson  
Waite was qualified as Exor on the 7th Feb 1859

W. Hill. o. a. d.

Last Will & Testament  
of Mary Bevil de<sup>d</sup>

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District.

In the Name of God Amen.

I, Mary Bevil being of sound and disposing  
mind, and memory and calling to mind the  
uncertainty of Life and being desirous to dispose  
of all such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God  
to bless me with do make and ordain this my  
last will and Testament in manner following -  
that is to say

1<sup>st</sup> I desire after my death that my  
Funeral Expenses and just Debts be paid out of  
my Estate

2<sup>nd</sup> I desire that Miss Sarah M. Fleming  
have my feather bed bolster and pillows one  
sheet one Counterpane and three quilts

3<sup>rd</sup> I desire that my uncle Nathaniel  
Cunningham for the kindness and attention shown  
to me and to my Mother in her life time have  
two hundred dollars.

4<sup>th</sup> I desire that the remainder of my  
Estate be equally divided between my two uncles  
Nathaniel Cunningham and Abraham Cunningham  
share and share alike

And lastly I constitute and appoint my  
uncle Nathaniel Cunningham Executor of this my  
last Will and Testament by me heretofore made  
in testimony whereof I have herunto set my hand  
and affixed my seal this sixteenth day of March  
in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and fifty eight. Signed sealed published and declar-  
ed as and for the last Will and Testament of the  
above named Mary Bevil in the presence of us

Wm C Corby  
Eliel Stephens  
W. H. D. Corby

her  
Mary X Bevil Seal  
mark

State of South Carolina } Personally came Wm C Cozby, one  
 Abbeville District } of the subscribing Witnesses to the  
 annex'd paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists  
 of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present  
 and did see Mary Bevil sign, seal, publish, pronounce  
 and declare, the said paper to be her last will and  
 Testament and that the Testatrix was of sound and  
 disposing mind, memory, and understanding, to the best  
 of his knowledge and belief - that Eliel Stephens and  
 W. W. D. Cozby, together with himself, and in the presence of  
 the Testatrix, and in the presence of each other, did sign  
 their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me  
 this 5 April 1858.  
 William Hill c. a. s.

W. C. Cozby.

State of South Carolina } Having examined W. C. Cozby  
 Abbeville District } one of the subscribing Witnesses  
 to the annex'd paper, and being satisfied that it is the  
 true last will and Testament of Mary Bevil dec'd. -  
 Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common form.

5 April 1858

W. Hill. C. A. S.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Nathaniel Cun-  
 Abbeville District } ingham Esq. named in the  
 annex'd will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of  
 Almighty God, upon oath says - that the within paper is  
 the true last will of the said Mary Bevil dec'd, and  
 that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying  
 first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained  
 so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the  
 Law charge him. - that he will make and return into  
 the office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true  
 Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said  
 deceased, within the time prescribed by Law.

Nathaniel Cunningham

Sworn to before me

5 April 1858

W. Hill. C. A. S.

## (Last Will &amp; Testament of Philip H. Moseley dec'd.)

South Carolina } The last will and testament of Philip  
 Abbeville District } H. Moseley of the state and District  
 aforesaid Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and  
 being of sound mind and memory (blessed be Almighty God  
 for the same) do make and publish this my last will and  
 testament in manner and form following (that is to say)  
 first I give and bequeath unto my only sister Charlotte  
 Moseley, <sup>after my decease</sup> two thirds of what I shall have left after  
 paying all my just debts my Mother Mary Moseley to have  
 the use of it during her life time my buggy to my sister in  
 law Nancy Moseley the remaining third to James H. B.  
 Moseley my nephew my Brother John M. Moseley I appoint  
 sole executor of this my last will and testament hereby  
 revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof  
 I have hereunto set my hand and seal the ninth March  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
 forty seven and the latter part of the seventieth and beginning  
 of the seventy second year of the Independence of the United  
 States of America

Signed sealed published and declared by the above  
 named Philip H. Moseley to be his last will and testament  
 in the presence of us Wm. M. Bell and Martha Bell his  
 wife, <sup>and J. H. McCalla</sup> who have hereunto subscribe our names  
 as witnesses in the presence of the testator  
 interlined before assigned

test.

Philip H. Moseley 

William M. Bell

Martha A. Bell

Isaac H. McCalla

State of South Carolina } Personally came Wm. M. Bell one of  
 Abbeville District } the subscribing witnesses to the an-  
 nexed paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of  
 Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present  
 and did see Philip H. Moseley sign, seal, publish, pro-  
 nounce and declare the said paper to be his last will  
 and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound  
 and disposing mind, memory and understanding to  
 the best of his knowledge and belief - that Martha A.  
 Bell and Isaac H. McCalla, together with himself, and



in the presence of each other, and in the presence of the Pastor  
did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof  
soon before me this

30 March 1838

W. Hill. O.A.S.

W. M. Bell.

State of South Carolina } Having examined W. M. Bell, one  
Abbeville District } of the subscribing witnesses to the  
annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last  
Will and Testament of Philip H. Mosely decd. Ordered that  
it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

30 March 1838

William Hill. O.A.S.

State of South Carolina } Personally came John M. Mosely  
Abbeville District } Executor named in the annexed will  
and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon  
oath says that the within paper is the true last will of the  
said Philip H. Mosely decd. and that he will well and truly  
execute the same by paying first the debts and then the  
Legacies therein contained so far as the goods and chattels  
will extend and the law charge him; that he will make  
and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the said  
District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate  
of the said deceased within the time provided by law,

sworn to before me

30 March 1838.

W. Hill O.A.S.

John M. Mosely.

(Last Will and Testament of  
Frances Carlisle decd.)

South Carolina

Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen.

I Frances Carlisle of the District and  
State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind  
and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of  
this frail and transitory life and being desirous to  
dispose of such worldly Estate as it hath pleased  
Almighty God to bless me with do hereby make, pub-  
lish, and declare this to be my last will and Testa-  
ment. That is to say, after all my lawful debts and  
Funeral expenses are payed and discharged the  
(residue)

residued of my Estate real and personal I Give be-  
 queath; and dispose of as follows to wit. to my  
 beloved son Daniel E Carlike a negro girl named  
 Catharine, also to my son Robert W Carlike my  
 negro woman Sally and her little negro Boy Yancy,  
 I also give to my sons as aforesaid Daniel E Carlike  
 and Robert W Carlike the plantation on which I  
 now reside I also desire that the both remain  
 on the plantation untill Robert W. becoms of age.  
 I also desire that Sally and her child also remain  
 on the place leguise, in order that their labor with  
 that of his own may be sufficient for his and their  
 support. I also desire that within Two years after  
 my deces for my daughter Rebecca W. Cauby to  
 have seventy five dollars and Ethel J. Carlike, to  
 have seventy five and James W. Carlike to have one  
 hundred dollars, and John J. P. Carlike to have  
 Fifty dollars and Eleyabeth F Lachy to have seventy-  
 five and William W. B. Carlike to have one hundred  
 dollars. I also desire for my Grandson Isaac M.  
 Carlike have fifteen dollars when he becoms of age  
 and the residued of my Estate (if any left), be equally  
 divided betwen my son Daniel E. Carlike and  
 Robert W. Carlike as aforesaid share and share alike.  
 Liguise. I make constitute and apoint my sons  
 William Carlike and Daniel E Carlike to be Executors  
 of this my last Will and testament, revoking all  
 former wills by me heretofore made in witness  
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix  
 my seal this the seventeenth day of December in the  
 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
 Fifty seven.

Francis Carlike 

signed in the presence  
 of us

- James Grant
- J. J. Grant
- Mary L. Presley

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came J. J. Grant, one  
 of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and

being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Frances Carlile, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the said paper to be her last Will and Testament - and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that James Grant and Mary S. Presley together with himself, and in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this

7 June 1858

William Hill Clerk

J. J. Grant.

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Having examined J. J. Grant  
 one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and  
 being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testa-  
 ment of Frances Carlile dec'd. - Ordered that it be admitted  
 to Probate in common form

7 June 1858

W Hill Clerk

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came William Carlile  
 Esq named in the annexed Will and being sworn on the  
 Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that  
 the within paper is the true last Will of the said Frances  
 Carlile dec'd. and that he will well and truly execute  
 the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies  
 therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will  
 extend, and the law charge him that he will make  
 and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the said  
 District, a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate  
 of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law

William Carlile.

Sworn before me

7 June 1858


W Hill Clerk

## (Last Will and Testament of John Roman dec'd)

I the name of God Amen.

I John Roman of the State of South Carolina and District of Abbeville, Being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but weak in body, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with, do make and ordain this my last will, in manner following. That is to say after all my Just debts are paid, I will and bequeath unto my grand children namely John Robert Buchanan, Mary Ann Buchanan & Francis Pinkney Buchanan All my estate Both Real and personall to remain on my plantation until the youngest child shall become of age, under the charge of my Executor, then to be equally divided among the surviving above named children And lastly do constitute and appoint my son in law Francis - Gladen Buchanan my Executor of this my last will and Testament by me heretofore made, And if the said Francis Gladen Buchanan should die before the youngest child becomes of age I appoint my grandson John Robert Buchanan and he to choos some sturdy man to act with him provided the said Francis G. Buchanan do not die before the said John R. Buchanan become of age, and if the said John R. Buchanan is not of age he is to choos some person to be recommended By the Ordinary of Abbeville District, all of which are to act free of charge. In testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 8 day of April one thousand eight hundred & fifty eight and in the 83<sup>rd</sup> year of the independance of the united States of America

Robt P. Buchanan  
Martin Delany  
William J. Thompson

John Roman 

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Personally came Robert P.  
Buchanan & Martin Delany one of the subscribing  
Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on

The Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present and did see John Romaw sign seal, publish, pronounce and declare, the said paper to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that William J. Thompson together with themselves, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this

16 July 1858

W. Hill o.a.s

Robt P. Buchanan

Martin DeLany

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined R. P. Buchanan & Martin DeLany, two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of John Romaw dec'd, Order that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

16 July 1858.

W. Hill o. a. s.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Francis A. Buchanan, Exor. named in the within Will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said John Romaw dec'd, and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law charge him - that he will make and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law.

Francis A. Buchanan.

Sworn to before me

16 July 1858

W. Hill. o. a. s.

## ( Last Will &amp; Testament of James W Child dec'd )

South Carolina

Abbeville District } I, James W. Child of the District  
and State aforesaid, do make this my last Will and  
Testament: To Wit.

"First." It is my will and desire that all of my just debts  
be paid by my Executors.

"Second" I give and devise to my wife Elizabeth Child for and  
during the term of her natural life, the Tract of Land  
known as the "Johnson tract" the line to be as follows,  
commencing at a rock corner on Henley's creek, running  
to the fence which divides said tract from the tract known  
as the "Lilly tract", keeping said fence until it comes  
to where it diverges to the left continuing in a direct  
course, until it intersects the original line of the said  
Johnson tract and then the original boundaries of said  
tract, the above tracts of Land being portions of my  
real estate; and at the death of my wife Elizabeth  
Child, I give and devise the said land to my law-  
fully begotten children to them their heirs and assigns:  
I also give and bequeath unto my said wife Elizabeth  
Child, the following negro slaves viz; Harry, Amelia,  
George, Sal, Betty and Sylvia, together with their  
increase after she becomes in possession of them, Choice  
of two mules & two Horses, Wagon and gear, Buggy  
and Harness, four milk Cows and calves, two sows  
and Pigs, Bed, Bed-Steed and furniture, two tables  
Bureau, provisions of all kind raised on the farm  
sufficient for one year, farming implements, sufficient  
for the agricultural purpose of her farm, and one Hun-  
dred dollars in Cash, in lieu of her dower, to be paid  
to her by my Executors, on the delivery of the above bequest.  
For and during the term of her natural life and at  
her death to my lawfully begotten children, to them  
their heirs and assigns.

"Third" I give and bequeath to my daughter Louisa A. E  
Child now Louisa, A. E. Griffin the following slaves  
viz Betty and her future increase after she becomes  
in possession of her, and Squire, with the following  
articles previously delivered to her viz: One Bed,  
Bedstead and furniture, one Horse, one Cow and  
(Cash)

Calf and one set of Windsor Chairs, estimated by me at one hundred and thirty five dollars, during the term of her natural life and at her death to her lawfully begotten children to them their heirs and assigns.

"Fourth," I give and bequeath to my daughter Arabella F. Child now Arabella F. Griffin the following slaves, viz. Eliza with her future increase after she becomes in possession of her, and Joe, with the following articles previously delivered, viz: One Bed, Bedstead and furniture One Horse, One Cow and Calf and one set of Windsor chairs estimated by me at One Hundred and thirty five dollars, during the term of her natural life, and at her death to her lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs and assigns.

"Fifth" I give and bequeath to my daughter Mildred Child, now Mildred M. Callan the following, slaves viz. Kitty with her future increase after she becomes in possession of her and him, one Bed, Bedstead and furniture, one Horse, one Cow and Calf and one set of Windsor Chairs, or in lieu thereof, One hundred and thirty five dollars for and during the term of her natural life, and at her death to her lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs and assigns, but in the event that the said Mildred M. Callan should die not leaving such child or children then to my children, their heirs and assigns.

"Sixth" I give and bequeath to my son James W. Child the following slaves viz: Milton and Mildred with her future increase after he becomes in possession of her, One Bed, Bedstead and furniture, One Horse, one Cow and Calf, and one set of Windsor Chairs, estimated by me at one Hundred and thirty five dollars, (all of which has been delivered except the Horse) during the term of his natural life and at his death, to his lawfully begotten children to them their heirs and assigns, but in the event that the said James W. Child should die not leaving such child or children, then to my children their heirs and assigns.

"Seventh" I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah R. Child the following slaves viz: Dilcy with her future increase after she becomes in possession of her and Bill, one Bed, Bedstead and furniture, one Horse, one Cow and Calf and one set of Windsor chairs or in lieu thereof, One hundred and thirty five dollars, and one Piano-forte, during the term of her natural life and at her death to her lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs and assigns, but in the event that the said Sarah R. Child, should die not leaving such child or children, then to my children their  
(heirs)

heirs and assigns.

"Eighth" I give and bequeath to my son Robert R Child the following slaves, viz: Bess and Hopsy with her future increase after he becomes in possession of her, One Bed Bedstead and furniture, one Horse, one Cow and Calf and one Sett Windsor Chairs, or in lieu thereof, One Hundred and thirty five dollars, with Five Hundred dollars to be expressly expended in defraying the expenses of his Education, during the term of his natural life and at his death to his lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs and assigns, but in the event that the said Robert R Child should die not leaving such child or children then to my children their heirs and assigns.

"Ninth" I give and bequeath to my son Rufus A Child the following slaves viz: Elijah & Anna with her future increase after he becomes in possession of her, one Bed, Bedstead and furniture, one Horse, one Cow and calf one Sett Windsor Chairs, or in lieu thereof, One Hundred and thirty five dollars, with Four Hundred dollars to be expressly expended in defraying the expenses of his Education, also my Gold Watch (and in the event of the death of my said son Rufus A. my desire is that the said Gold Watch be given to my son Robert R) during the term of his natural life, and at his death to his lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs and assigns, but in the event that the said Rufus A Child should die not leaving such child or children, then to my children their heirs and assigns.

"Tenth" I give and bequeath to my son Robert R Child my walking cane in fee simple.

"Eleventh" I give and bequeath to my sons James W. Robert R. & Rufus A Child, all of my shaving implements to be equally divided between them.

"Twelfth" It is my will and desire that the one acre of land containing the Grave yard conveyed to me by Brunetta J. Youngblood & William W. Youngblood in a deed of land purchased from them by me, should be kept forever as a Burial ground for my family and friends, and the better to secure the same, I hereby will and bequeath to Mathew McDonald, Esq. Clerk of the Court for Abbeville District and his (successors)



successors in office forever in trust, the above named one acre of land containing said Grave Yard, for the exclusive use and purpose above mentioned.

Thirteenth. I will and desire the undisposed portion of all the Real Estate that I may be seized and possessed of at the time of my death, be sold by my Executors at public outcry, at such time and as they may deem best to promote the interest of all the parties concerned, without making application to either the Court of Ordinary or Equity for an order of sale, and that the proceeds arising therefrom be first applied to the payment of specific legacies, and the remainder to be equally divided between my seven children viz Louisa A. E. Griffin, Arabella T. Griffin, Mildred M<sup>c</sup>Caslan, James W. Child, Sarah R Child, Robert R Child and Rufus A Child, during the term of their natural lives, and at their deaths, to their lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs & assigns, but in the event that either of the above named children should die leaving no child or children, then said child's portion to my children to them their heirs & assigns.

Fourteenth. I will and desire my Executors to have my slaves not disposed of by any previous clause of my will, allotted and valued by Commissioners to be chosen by my Executors, the lots to consist of families as far as circumstances will admit, making a fair equitable distribution, by adding an equivalent in money to the less valuable lots, and when the said Commissioners have made the said apportionment that the same be caused to be put into a Hat and drawn in the following manner & order viz: Louisa A. E. Griffin, Arabella T Griffin Mildred M<sup>c</sup>Caslan, James W. Child, Sarah R Child, Robert R Child & Rufus A Child (my Executors will draw for my minor children and such negroes or money as may be drawn by each of my children respectively, I give and bequeath the same to them during their natural lives and at their death to their lawfully begotten children, to them their heirs and assigns, and in the event of either of them departing this life leaving no child or children, then such child's portion to my children their heirs & assigns.

(Signatures)

"Fifteenth" I will and desire the residue and remainder of my personal Estate, not heretofore disposed of, be sold by my Executors, without application to the Ordinary for an Order of sale, and the proceeds arising therefrom after the payment of debts, be equally divided between my seven children for their use and benefit, during their natural lives, and at their death to their lawfully begotten children to them their heirs & assigns. And in the event of either of them dying and leaving no child or children, such child's portion shall revert back to my Estate, to be divided equally between my other children their heirs & assigns.

"Sixteenth" I will and bequeath to Thomas C Griffin in trust for the use and benefit of the said Louisa A E Griffin and her children, during the term of her natural life, all the interest, specific or otherwise contained in the Third, Thirteenth Fourteenth and Fifteenth clauses of this my will, making provision for the division of my slaves, with the interest arising from all such monies as she may receive from my Estate in trust for the exclusive use and benefit of the said Louisa A E Griffin and her children during the term of her natural life, and at her death to rest as is particularly provided for, no conveyance or other disposition, of the said slaves, monies or other chattels, Confided to Thomas C Griffin in trust to be valid without the signature of the said Thomas C. Griffin under seal, the said slaves, monies or other chattels, or the interest arising therefrom in no wise, to be subject to the payment of any debt or debts, bonds, mortgages or judgements, made by the said Louisa A E Griffin or her Husband prior to the receipt by the said Thomas C Griffin in trust shall be paid out of the Estate of the said Louisa A E Griffin and her children.

"Seventeenth" If either of the slaves, specifically devised to my wife & children should die before they come in possession of them, my will and desire is, that another slave of equal value be given in their place, before any allotment of my slaves shall be made, as is provided for in the (Fourteenth)

Fourteenth clause of this my will.

"Eighteenth" I do constitute and appoint my son in law  
Thomas C Griffin and my friend J. W. Carville  
Executors of this my last will and testament hereby  
revoking all other wills previously made by me

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal this 18th day of June Anno Domini  
One thousand eight hundred & Fifty eight.

James W. Child (Sd)

signed, sealed published & declared  
as and for the last will & testament  
of the abve named James W Child in  
the presence of us.

J. S. Blake  
Jno. Holland  
W. S. Blake

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came J. S.

Blake, one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed  
paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of  
Almighty God makes oath that he was personally  
present, and did see James W. Child sign, seal, pub-  
lish, pronounce, and declare, the said paper to be  
his last will and testament - and that the testa-  
tor was of sound and disposing mind, memory and  
understanding, to the best of his knowledge and  
belief - that John Holland and W. S. Blake together  
with himself, and in the presence of the Testator  
and in the presence of each other, did sign their  
names as witnesses to the due execution thereof

Sworn before me this.

20 August 1858

W. Hill o. & s.

J. S. Blake

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Having examined J. S. Blake

one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper  
and being satisfied that it is the true last will and  
Testament of James W Child do hereby Order that it be  
admitted to Probate in common form.

20 Aug<sup>r</sup>. 1858

William Hill o. & s.

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came Thomas  
 C. Griffin & J. W. Carville } Gens named in the annexed  
 Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of  
 Almighty God upon oath says that the within  
 paper is the true last Will of the said James  
 W. Child, and that they will well and truly  
 execute the same, by paying first the Debts and  
 then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the  
 good and Chattels will extend and the law charge  
 them - that they will make and return into the  
 office of the Ordinary of the said District, a true  
 Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the  
 said decedent, within the time prescribed by law  
 sworn to before me }  
 this 20 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1858 }  
 William Hale }  
 O. A. D. }  
 Wm C. Griffin  
 J. W. Carville

(Last Will & Testament of T. R. Cochran.)

The State of South Carolina.

In the name of God Amen!

I Thomas R Cochran of the District of Abbeville and State aforesaid being of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding, but weak in body, do make and ordain this my last Will and testament in manner following. —

- First. I desire all my just debts paid.
- Second I desire my Executors hereinafter appointed, to pay to my nephew Hamilton Stevenson, only son of my sister Jane E Stevenson widow, the sum of Eight hundred dollars in cash, for the purpose of giving my said nephew a Collegiate Education, my desire is that my said nephew shall be prepared for College by his mother, and this provision of Eight hundred dollars is given for the purpose of continuing his education by paying his way through College. I think by proper economy (this)

this will be sufficient to graduate him at Erskine College, where I desire he may be sent. I have one Scholarship in said College and I desire my said Nephew to have the benefit of said Scholarship in addition to the Eight hundred dollars. I desire the said Eight hundred dollars paid for the benefit of my said Nephew when he is prepared for College, and to be paid out as he needs the same in College. If my said Nephew should die before he graduates - then I desire the said Eight hundred dollars paid to his mother, or what may remain of the said Eight hundred Dollars, if any portion should at that time have been spent in the education of my said Nephew. - The limitation over to Mrs Jane E Stevenson to be for the sole benefit of her other children.

Third

I give devise and bequeath all the rest residue and remainders of my estate real and personal to my dearly beloved wife Mary L. Cochran forever. I desire her to sell so much property as may be necessary to pay my debts and the aforesaid pecuniary legacy of eight hundred dollars, and as to the remainder of my property, she may sell or not as she thinks best.

Fourth

I apprehend no difficulty in settling my affairs except perhaps in the Sheriff's office I have been unable to attend to my duties as Sheriff for some time, and the office may be in some confusion. I am very anxious that this matter may be properly settled and my sureties relieved from all responsibility. J. M. Goward Esq has been my counsel as Sheriff, and I specially request him to wind up this part of my affairs for my wife - And I also solemnly request him to advise, counsel aid and assist my Executrix in the discharge of all her duties.

Fifth

I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my dearly beloved wife Mary L. Cochran, sole Executrix of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name this 26<sup>th</sup> July, 1858.

J. R. Cochran (L.S.)

In presence of  
B. Johnson  
J. H. Cobb.  
J. F. Lanier

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came James H. Cobb, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the Annexed paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Thomas R. Cochran sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the said paper to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that B. Johnson & J. P. Lanier together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof

sworn before me

the 25 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1858

William Hill o.c. & }  
J. H. Cobb

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Having examined J. H. Cobb one of the subscribing Witnesses to the Annexed paper and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Tho<sup>s</sup> R. Cochran dec<sup>d</sup> Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

25 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1858

William Hill o.c. & }  
J. H. Cobb

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came Mary L. Cochran Executrix named in the Annexed will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says, that the within paper is the true last will of the said Tho<sup>s</sup> R. Cochran dec<sup>d</sup>, and that she will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the good and chattels will extend, and the law charge her that she will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of the said district, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said dec<sup>d</sup>.

within the time prescribed by law.

Mary L Cochran

Seem to before me

25 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1858

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(Last Will and Testament of Francis<sup>B</sup> Clinkscales, decd)

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen!

I, Francis B. Clinkscales, of the District and State aforesaid being advanced in life but of sound & disposing mind & memory do make constitute & declare this my last Will & testament, hereby revoking all former wills.

1<sup>st</sup>. It is my will & desire that all my just debts funeral expenses & expenses incurred in settling up my estate be paid by my Executors hereinafter named.

2<sup>nd</sup>. I give devise & bequeath unto my beloved wife Barbary Clinkscales for & during her natural life or widowhood, and jointly with my son William V. Clinkscales all that plantation upon which I now reside known as the home tract together with all that part of the Linton tract that is situate eastwardly of a line to be run commencing at the road opposite the Gin House of James W. Crawford and running thence along the cross fence to where it strikes the woods & from thence to a corner in the edge of the old field on the line between A J Clinkscales and myself, said plantation to be used & occupied jointly by my said wife & my said son during her life or widowhood and at her death or subsequent intermarriage, I hereby give devise & bequeath in fee simple the said plantation to my said son William V. Clinkscales, and to his heirs forever.

3<sup>d</sup>. I give & bequeath unto my said wife Barbary Clinkscales for & during her natural life the following negro slaves, to wit: Frank and his wife Eliza and their two youngest children at the time of the division of my property, and at the same time May & his wife Cinda & their two youngest children, and negro girl named Louisa and their future increase which

(said)

said slaves above mentioned & their future increase shall not be liable for any of the debts, liabilities or contracts of my said wife or her future husband or husbands and at the death of my said wife the said negroes & their increase as aforesaid, are to be sold at public outcry by my Executors hereinafter named & the proceeds arising from such sales shall be divided as follows. One half thereof to my son William V. Clinkscaler & the other half according to the division hereinafter to be directed among my other children & grand children.

4. I also will & bequeath unto my said wife the following personal property under the same restrictions & limitations as stated in the third clause above of this my will, namely—two mules to be selected by her and my horse Mike & buggy, a wagon and harness and one years supply of provisions for herself & family and five hundred dollars to be paid to her out of my other property when sold as hereinafter directed & the money collected, also three cows & calves, two sows & pigs and ten stock hogs & ten head of sheep, together with two bedsteads & furniture to be selected by herself as also one hundred dollars worth of other household & kitchen furniture to be taken at appraisement.

5th I have heretofore given off to all of my children certain property and in that I think I have made them all equal which gifts & property they have now in possession and which I hereby confirm to them forever.

6. My will & desire is that my negro man Cyrus shall have the privilege of choosing which of my children shall be his owner, and after he has made his choice & made the same known to my Executors I hereby order & direct my Executors to have the said Cyrus & his wife Mary & their youngest child which they may have at that time appraised, and that my Executors do then deliver up the said Cyrus and his wife Mary & child as above stated to such one of my children as said Cyrus may choose as aforesaid to whom they are hereby given forever, he or she to be charged with the valuation fixed as aforesaid.

7 The plantation or tract of land known as the Town tract I direct & will that my son William V. Clinkscaler shall have the right to take & receive in fee simple at the appraised value if he chooses to do so, as so much of his share of my estate.



- 8 After the payment of my debts I will & bequeath & direct that the remainder of my Estate not herein disposed of including proceeds of the sale, Cash on hand, and monies due to me estimating in this fifteen hundred Dollars charged to Louisa Jane Merimon and the price of Cyrus & Mary his wife & their youngest child, and also including the valuation of the Poor part of land should my son William V. choose to take it at the appraised value, be divided into eight equal parts, the valuation of Cyrus, Mary & the child to be taken by my son or daughter whom he may choose as his own as part of his or her share, One eighth part thereof I give & bequeath to each of my children, to wit George B. Clintscales, Albert J. Clintscales, Mary C. Hamilton wife of John M. Hamilton, James W. Clintscales and William V. Clintscales, and one eighth part thereof to the children of my daughter Sarah Cowan deceased formerly wife of John Cowan, which eighth part is to be equally divided among my said daughter's children living at the time of the division, the child or children of any of her children then deceased to take the share to which the parent would have been entitled if living, and I do hereby nominate & appoint John Cowan guardian for the minor children of said Sarah Cowan deceased, and also one eighth part of my said Estate to George B. Clintscales and James W. Clintscales in Trust nevertheless for my grandchildren the children of my son John B. Clintscales to be paid over to his sons upon their attaining the age of twenty one year respectively, and to his daughters that of eighteen years respectively, the said eighth to be equally divided among my said grand children the children of John B. Clintscales deceased; and also one eighth part of my said Estate to George B. Clintscales and James W. Clintscales in trust nevertheless for my daughter Louisa Jane Merimon wife of L. D. Merimon free & exempt from the control, liabilities, debts & Contracts of her present or any future husband, which bequest I hereby empower her said Trustees or any future Trustee or Trustees to invest in such property either real or personal as they may judge most to her interest and with her consent, said Trustees not to be liable for any loss of any of said property when invested by her consent and I further will that at the death of my said daughter Louisa Jane Merimon the said portion hereby bequeathed for her use be equally divided among her then living children.
- 9 It is my will that Louisa Jane Merimon account to my Estate for the fifteen hundred Dollars mentioned in the eighth clause of this will without interest being counted thereon.

10<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that my Executors retain my Rail Road Stock for five years unless they together with the legates should think it advisable to dispose of the same sooner. And should the Rail Road Company declare any dividends previous to the expiration of said five years or before the stock is sold said dividends shall be equally divided among all my legates.

11<sup>th</sup> I will that all the residue of my Estate both Real & personal not bequeathed above shall be sold by my Executors and the proceeds thereof be equally divided among the Legates above named, which consists in lands & negroes, Stocks of all kinds plantation tools &c. &c. —

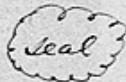
And I do hereby invest my Executors with full power to sell and make good valid & lawful titles to all my real and personal Estate

12<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that my negroes be sold as much as possible in families especially not to separate man & wife or small children from their parents.

Lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my sons George B. Clinkscales and James W. Clinkscales Executors of this my last will & testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty seven.

The words "each of" between 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> lines from bottom of 3<sup>rd</sup> page interlined before signing.

F. B. Clinkscales



Signed sealed published and declared to be the last will & testament of the testator in our presence who in his presence and at his instance & request have hereunto witnessed the due execution hereof in the presence of each other.

J. J. Cunningham  
 Jas. W. Black  
 James A. Black.

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

Personally came J. J. Cunningham one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present, and did see F. B. Clinkscales sign seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the said paper to be his last will and Testament — and

that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind  
memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge  
and belief - that Jas W Black and James A Black  
together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator  
and in the presence of each other, did sign their names,  
as Witnesses to the due Execution thereof

Sworn before me this

4 Oct 1858

W Hill O.A.D.

J. J. Cunningham

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined J. J.  
Cunningham one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed  
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will  
and Testament of F. B. Clinkscaler dec'd: Ordered that  
it be admitted to Probate in common form.

4 Oct 1858

William Hill O.A.D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came George B. Clinkscaler  
Exor. named in the annexed will, and being sworn on the  
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that  
the within paper is the true last will of the said F. B.  
Clinkscaler dec'd: and that he will well and truly execute  
the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies  
therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will  
extend, and the law charge him - that he will make  
and return into the Office of the Ordinary, of the said  
District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate  
of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law

Sworn to before me this

4 Oct 1858

W. Hill. O.A.D.

Geo B. Clinkscaler

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came James Wesley Clinkscaler, one of the  
Exors named in the annexed will, and being sworn  
on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath says that the within  
paper is the true last will of the said Francis B. Clinkscaler, dec'd, and that  
he will well and truly execute the same by paying first the Debts and  
then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will  
extend and the the law charge him.


Sworn to before me 29 Nov 1858

W Hill. O.A.D.

J. W. Clinkscaler

(Last Will & Testament of Wm. L. Calhoun dec<sup>d</sup>)

South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Know all men by these Presents  
 that I William L. Calhoun of the State and District  
 aforesaid being of sound mind, and know the uncer-  
 tainties of life, do make this my last Will and  
 testament. Viz. In the first place I bequeath all  
 my just debts to be paid and the balance of my  
 Estate to be divided into two equal shares The one  
 half to go to my beloved wife Kate P. Calhoun  
 The other half to be equally divide between her three  
 children share and share alike viz. John Benjamin  
 & William. I do hereby appoint my uncle Jas<sup>t</sup>.  
 Edward Calhoun Sen<sup>r</sup> my lawfull executor to settle  
 my estate without reference to any legal proceedings  
 with full power to sell any or the whole of my  
 estate as he may think proper. But it is my  
 wish that my Uncle should Consult with B. A.  
 Pitman of Florida on all matters relating to my  
 estate. Fifthly I give to each of these boys above  
 named one of my Double Barrel guns.

Sealed Scaled and delivered in the  
 Presence of                      This 19<sup>th</sup> of Sept eight hundred  
 J. Yarbrough                      and fifty eight  
 Samuel. J. Hester  
 J. E. Lyon                                      W. L. Calhoun 

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

Personally came Saml J. Hester, one  
 of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper,  
 and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty  
 God makes oath, that he was personally present and  
 did see William L. Calhoun sign, seal, publish  
 pronounce and declare the said paper to be his last  
 Will and Testament, and that the Testator was of  
 sound and disposing mind, memory and understand-  
 ing, to the best of his knowledge and belief—that  
 J. Yarbrough and J. E. Lyon together with himself  
 and in the presence of the Testator, and in the

presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses  
to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this

9<sup>th</sup> October 1838

William Hill o.a.d.

Samuel J. Hester

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined Saml J Hester  
one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and  
being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament  
of William L. Calhoun dec<sup>d</sup>: Ordered that it be admitted  
to Probate in Common form:

9 Oct 1838

William Hill o.a.d.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came James E Calhoun  
Executor named in the annexed will, and being sworn on  
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that  
the within paper is the true last Will of the said William  
L Calhoun dec<sup>d</sup>: and that he will well and truly execute  
the same, by paying just the debts and then the Legacies  
therein contained, so far as the good and chattels will  
extend, and the law charge him - that he will make  
and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the said  
District, a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate  
of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me

9 Oct 1838

W. Hill o.a.d.

J. Edw. Calhoun Sr.

## ( Last Will and Testament of H. W. Clay dec'd )

South Carolina  
Abbeville District }

I know all men by these presents that  
I H. W. Clay of the State and District aforesaid, being  
of sound mind but afflicted in body do make this  
my last Will and Testament Revoking all others by  
me made. First I desire that all my just debts be  
paid by the sale of my present crop and Plantation  
on which I now live. The Interest which I own in the  
Mill tract I will and bequeath the same to Mrs Mary  
Ann Clay the wife of my Brother W. A. Clay and her  
bodily heirs.




Second. I bequeath my few negroes, Rose, her two  
children and Anna to my niece C. F. Wells and  
her bodily heirs

Thirdly. To my niece M. E. Wells I give and bequeath  
the sum of five dollars which I suppose will be left  
after paying my debts by the sale of my Plantation  
& crop.

Fourthly. The residue of my estate of whatever kind  
I equally divide between my Mother Elizabeth Clay,  
Elisha Clay and W. A. Clay.

Fifthly. Finding I have not disposed of my two Gold  
watches, I bequeath the one with the chain attached  
to C. F. Wells, the other to M. E. Wells


Sixthly. I desire my stocks of whatever kind together  
with my household and Kitchen furniture to be sold  
and added to the moneys accruing from the sale of  
my Plantation & crop and disposed of as above stated


This the ninth day of Oct. eighteen hundred and  
fifty eight, Signed, Sealed and Delivered in presence  
of L. Yarbrough   
Edwin Parker   
William I. Martin 


H. W. Clay 

Seventhly. I appoint L. Corwin my lawfull executor to  
settle my Estate as before stated

This 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1858.

L. Yarbrough 

Edwin Parker 

William I. Martin 

H. W. Clay 

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came Edwin Parker, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see H. W. Clay sign seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the said paper to be his last will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that L. Parkyns and William D. Martin together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof

Sworn before me this  
18<sup>th</sup> October 1858  
W. Hill O. A. D. }

Edwin Parker

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Having examined Edwin Parker, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of H. W. Clay dec<sup>d</sup>. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common form.

18 Oct 1858

William Hill O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came L. Covin Executor named in the annexed will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last will of the said H. W. Clay, and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law charge him - that he will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of the said District, a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law

Sworn to before me this  
18 Oct 1858. W. Hill O. A. D. }

L. Covin.

## (Last Will and Testament of S. V. Caine.)

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

S. Sampson V. Caine of the District

and State aforesaid make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made.

- 1 I will and direct that my Executor herein after named pay all my just debts and funeral expenses.
- 2 I give, bequeath and devise unto my beloved wife Caroline E. Caine in fee simple, my house and lot in Greenwood, together with all the appurtenances thereto including a lot or parcel of ten acres near the said house & lot for firewood & other purposes. I give and bequeath also, to my said wife the following negro slaves & their future increase, to wit; Gervina, Mira, Martha & her child, Luisa, Ella, Margaret, Georgiana and Perchise & also my baggage & horses household & stable furniture Emma, Bob and John, I also give to my wife for and during her natural life, my faithful servant woman, Jane, and after her death, should the said slave survive her I will and desire that my son Willis take the said Jane, and treat her with the utmost kindness so long as she may live.
- 3 To my son John E. Caine, I give and bequeath the following negro slaves, and their increase, to wit Joe, Allen, Solomon, Samiel, Addison, Sylvia, Jane & Milly (daughter of Jerry) Alcott, Catharine & Aaron. I also give to my said son my gold watch.
- 4 My daughter Martha P. Caine is entitled to eleven likely negroes, now in my possession, coming to her through her deceased mother, by virtue of a deed of trust executed by her grandfather, Thomas Payne and as I feel assured that her said grandfather will make further provisions for her out of his abundant means so that she will be provided for better than the rest of my children, I deem it unnecessary to add anything more to her share.
- 5 To my son Willis I give my gold watch, & to my son Montitho, I give my clock, to be delivered to them, when they shall attain to the age of twentyone years, or sooner, if my wife thinks fit to deliver them.



- 6 I further will and direct that all my other slaves not above given and bequeathed be kept together, under the control and management of my Executor, on my Cambridge plantation for the support maintenance and education of my three younger children Willie Monteith and Mary Blanton, untill the oldest of the three shall attain to the age of twentyone years, at which time eleven negro slaves are to be chosen and allotted to him by two or more disinterested and discreet persons to be selected by my Executor and who, in making choice, are to be governed by the interests of all the children, endeavoring, as far as possible, to make the shares of each equal. I further direct that when the next oldest comes of age he is to have his eleven negroes allotted to him in the same way; and so of the youngest when the youngest shall be assigned his portion. I will and direct that my Executors sell my lands and all the remaining personalty that may there be on hand, and divide the proceeds equally between my beloved wife, and my four children, John C. Willie, Monteith, and Mary Blanton; and in case either of the said children be dead at the time of such sale, the share of that child is to go to the child or children of said child, if there be such, and if not then to the survivor or survivors, without distinction as to the whole or half blood.
- 7 I empower my Executor with authority to keep my plantation stocked with all necessary manure for its successful culture for and during the time herein above limited, and to employ suitable persons from year to year at the expense of the estate for procuring the negroes & premises.
- 8 I hereby constitute and appoint my friend Allen Vance, and my nephew W. C. Moragne, Executors of this my last will and testament with full power to execute all the trusts herein above declared without the aid of the Court of Equity.

In witness whereof I hereunto affix my hand and seal this twentieth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, and in the eighty second year of the Sovereignty & independence of the United States of America.

J. V. Caine 

Signed, sealed and acknowledged by the said J. V. Caine as his last will & testament in presence of us who in his presence & in the presence of each other have subscribed our names  
over

as witnesses, "The interlineations on the first page - also my Carriage Horses, household & kitchen furniture" made before the execution of this instrument.

Paul R. Shillien

John J. Parks

Geo. W. Connor.

State of South Carolina  
(Abbeville District)

Personally came George W. Connor one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, swears that he was personally present and did see Sampson T. Caine sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the said paper to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Paul R. Shillien, and John J. Parks together with himself and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof

Sworn before me this

5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1858

W. Hill. C. C. D.

Geo. W. Connor

State of South Carolina  
(Abbeville District)

Having examined Geo. W. Connor one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Sampson T. Caine, dec'd. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in Common form

5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1858.

William Hill C. C. D.

State of South Carolina  
(Abbeville District)

Personally came

William Hill and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath swears that the within paper is the true last Will of the said  
and that William Hill will well and truly execute the same by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein named in the

Contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the  
 law charge that will make and return into the  
 office of the Ordinary of the said District a true inventory and  
 appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased within the  
 time prescribed by law.  
 Sworn to before me,

(Last Will and Testament of Hugh Roberson)

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

I Hugh Roberson of the District  
 and State aforesaid do make this my last will  
 and testament

- 1<sup>st</sup> I will that all of my just debts be paid by my Executors
- 2<sup>nd</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my wife Louanna  
 Roberson the tract of Land on which I now reside  
 bounded by lands of William Sprawl John Webber  
 Henry Rush and Henry Duallburn containing  
 three hundred and nine acres more or less I also give  
 devise and bequeath to my said wife Louanna  
 Roberson the following negro slaves to wit -  
 Sam Milly be Nancy Dinah Eliza and Phillip  
 with the increase of the females also all of my  
 stock of Horses Cattle & Hogs Corn Fodder cakes  
 what amounts household and kitchen furniture  
 Plantation tools with every other article appertaining  
 either to my real or personal estate to her and to her heirs
- 3<sup>rd</sup> I will devise and bequeath (to the daughter of my wife  
 by a former marriage) Semima Eugenia Cork one  
 Negro boy Matthew to her and her heirs provided  
 nevertheless that in the event that the said  
 Semima & Cork should never marry or leave a  
 living child or children then and in that event  
 I will and bequeath the said Negro boy Matthew  
 to my wife Louanna Roberson to her and her heirs
- 4<sup>th</sup> I will and so order and direct my Executors that if  
 at my death he should find it necessary to raise  
 means to meet the indebtedness of my Estate to dispose  
 of so much of the personal property willed my wife

as will distance the same or such other arrangements as he may think advisable in the premises.

5 I constitute nominate and appoint my friend James W. Lipscomb Executor of this my last will and Testament I do hereby revoke and annul all former wills made by me at any time heretofore.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this the fourteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven signed executed and acknowledged before us

who subscribed our names as witnesses in the

presence of the Testator

Abraham P. Pool  
Nathaniel McCants  
John Sadler

State of South Carolina  
Alberville District

Personally came John Sadler one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God make oath that he was personally present and did see Hugh Robertson sign seal publish & pronounce and declare the said paper to be his last will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Abraham P. Pool and Nathaniel McCants together with himself and in the presence of each other did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof

sworn before me  
this 10<sup>th</sup> December 1858

William Hill

O. T. H.

John Sadler

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

Having examined John Sadler one of the subscribing  
Witnesses to the aforesaid paper and being satisfied  
that it is the true last Will and Testament of  
Hugh Roberson dec'd. Ordered, that it be admitted  
to Probate in Common form

10<sup>th</sup> December 1858

William Hill  
C. C. H.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came James M. Lepscorn Esq.  
named in the aforesaid will and being sworn on  
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath  
say that the within paper is the true last Will  
of the said Hugh Roberson dec'd and that he will  
well and truly execute the same by paying first  
the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained  
so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the  
Law charge him that he will make and return  
into the office of the Ordinary of the said District  
a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate  
of the said deceased within the time prescribed  
by Law.

J. M. Lepscorn

Sworn to before me

10 Decr 1858

W. Hill C. C. H.

(The Last Will of James Johnson dec<sup>d</sup>)

The State of South Carolina.

In the name of God Am<sup>n</sup>

I James Johnson (sen) of Abbeville District in the said State being of sound mind and disposing memory and reflecting on the Mortality of my Body and desiring to dispose of the Property which God has blessed me with do make this my last Will and Testament in forms and manners following (to wit), I devise to my beloved wife Julia Johnson the Plantation whereon I now reside containing five hundred and thirty acres more or less during her natural life or widowhood, with the following understanding that should my said wife Julia Johnson at any time become dissatisfied to remain or reside on said plantation that my executors herein after named do by her consent and approval sell the said plantation in such manner as to them shall seem best and appropriate the Proceeds thereof or as much as may be necessary to the Purchasing a tract of land that will suit her and the Remainder thereof if any to be equally divided between my six children under the restrictions hereafter mentioned the said Tract of Land so Purchased to rest in my said wife Julia Johnson during her natural life or widowhood I devise to my said wife Julia Johnson during her natural life or widowhood the following (negroes (viz), a woman named Fott a girl named Ann a Boy named Harrison and a Boy named Edmund with their increase - I also devise to my said wife Julia Johnson during her natural life or widowhood her choice of two horses two cows and calves her choice of Ten Hogs of the stock hogs with the whole of my Household and Kitchen furniture not otherwise hereafter devised, and yeaw Provision of all kinds with such farming implements as she may need; my Buggy and Harness and at the termination of her Estate either by Marriage or death I devise that all the property and Estate above mentioned be sold by my Executors upon such terms as they may think best and the Proceeds to be Equally divided between my six children hereinafter (named)

named under the restriction therein mentioned.

I will and bequeath to my son James Johnson (Sen), one negro Boy named Moses (Sen) & one Bed and furniture.

I will and devise to my son Thornbery B. Johnson one negro Boy named George & also one Bed and furniture.

I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Johnson under the restriction hereafter mentioned a Negro Girl named Phillis with her increase & also one Bed & furniture.

I will and devise to my Daughter Amanda A. Johnson one Negro Girl named Emily with her increase & also one Bed and furniture.

I will and bequeath to my son Gabriel W. Johnson one negro Boy named Bethekeed & one Bed

I will and devise that all the residue of my Estate Real and Personal be sold by my Executors hereafter named at such times and upon such terms as to them may seem best and the proceeds thereof to be applied first to the payment of Funeral Expenses and Just Debts and the balance thereof to be disposed of in manner following to wit. I bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Wilson five dollars and no more; I bequeath to my son Henry A. Johnson five dollars and no more. I bequeath to my Grand Daughter Martha A. Turner and to her Bodily Heirs Eight hundred Dollars. I will and devise that the Proceeds of the sale of my Estate above specified Real and Personal after paying all Funeral Expenses and Just Debts and the specific legacies before mentioned to be equally divided between my six children (viz) Samuel V. Johnson, James Johnson (Sen), Thornbery B. Johnson, Sarah Johnson, Amanda A. Johnson and Gabriel W. Johnson under the restriction hereinafter mentioned excluding my Daughter Elizabeth Wilson and my son Henry A. Johnson from any part thereof. I will and devise that when the Estate Real and Personal above devised to my wife Julia Johnson shall terminate either by Death or Marriage as before provided for the Proceeds arising from the sale thereof shall be divided between my six children before named under the same restriction hereafter mentioned excluding my Daughter Elizabeth Wilson and my son Henry A. Johnson from any part thereof. I will and devise that should any of my children before named die without Issue that the shares coming to them shall be equally divided between the surviving children of the six before named (excluding)

excluding my Daughter Elizabeth Wilson and my son Henry A. Johnson from any part thereof. I will devise that should either of my six children before named die before me leaving a child or children such child or children shall be entitled to the share that their deceased Parent would have been entitled to had they survived me excluding my Daughter Elizabeth Wilson and my son Henry A. Johnson and the respective child or children of either of them as the case may be I will and devise that Samuel V. Johnson do account for the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars as so much received of his Portion and also that my son James and Thornbury B. Johnson do cash account for the sum of One Hundred Dollars as so much Received of their Portions. I will and devise that the Portion falling to my son Samuel V. Johnson of whatever nature or amount out of my Estate after accounting for the Twelve Hundred Dollars before mentioned be under the control of Abner H. Magee (sen) who I do hereby appoint Trustee for that purpose to manage the said portion in the best manner for the use of the family of the said Samuel V. Johnson during his natural life and after his death to be equally divided between his children so that no part thereof shall be under the control or at the disposal of the said Samuel V. Johnson or subject to any of his Debts.

I will and devise that the Portion of my Estate falling to my Daughter Sarah Johnson of whatever kind or nature be under the control of Abner H. Magee (sen) who I hereby nominate and appoint Trustee to manage such Portion of my Estate as shall fall to my said Daughter Sarah Johnson for her sole use and benefit during her natural life and should my said Daughter Sarah die without issue I will and devise that the Portion belonging to her be divided between the Remaining or Surviving five before named children or their Representatives as the case may be excluding my daughter Elizabeth Wilson and my son Henry A. Johnson or their child or children as the case may be from any part thereof.

I do hereby nominate and appoint my son James Johnson and my friends Abner H. Magee (sen) and Gabriel M. Mattison Executors of this my last will and  
(Testament)



Testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me made  
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto assigned my name  
 and affixed my seal, the Eighteenth day of January One  
 Thousand Eight hundred and fifty six

James Johnson &

Seal

Signed sealed Published and declared  
 by the said James Johnson (deu), as his  
 last Will and Testament in Presence of  
 us who have in his Presence and in the  
 Presence of each other subscribed our names  
 as witnesses the day and year afore said.

C. Latimer

B. M. Latimer

Jos. R. Latimer

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

Having examined Stephen Latimer one  
 of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper and being  
 satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of  
 James Johnson decd. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate  
 in Common form.

3<sup>d</sup> Sept 1858

William Hill. C. J. &

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

Personally came Stephen Latimer one  
 of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
 sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath  
 that he was personally present and did see James Johnson  
 sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the said paper  
 to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator  
 was of sound and disposing mind, memory and under-  
 standing, to the best of his Knowledge and belief, - that B. M.  
 Latimer and Jos. R. Latimer together with himself and in  
 the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each  
 other did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execu-  
 tion thereof.

Sworn before me this

3<sup>d</sup> Sept 1858

W. Hill. C. J. &

S. Latimer.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came J. M. Mattison & Abner H. Magee & are named in the annexed will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said James Johnson dec'd. - and that they will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the good and chattels will extend, and the law charge them that they will make and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said decedent, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1858.

William Hill. Oct 2

J. M. Mattison

A. H. Magee Sworn

( Last Will & Testament of  
Richard L. Anderson dec'd )

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

In the name of God - Amen. -

The Last Will & Testament of Rich<sup>d</sup> L. Anderson.

1. I will my just debts be first paid.
2. I will two hundred & twenty five acres of land, embracing & immediately surrounding the house in which I now live to my wife Sarah Elizabeth during her natural life, & at her death, I will & devise the said land to my Grand-son James Allen Watson (now living in Alabama) to him & his heirs forever. I also will & bequeath to my said wife the following personal property to her & her heirs forever, namely; one negro fellow named Wesley - three feather beds & furniture - one side Board, seven chairs, to be selected from the best & best at my death - all my chests & tables & Dining room furniture - all my kitchen & Dairy furniture, one horse to be selected by her from the horses in my possession at my death: - the Buggy I may have - & cart - 2 pair of Shoes with singletrees, Clevises & pins to correspond - two shoes

Cows & calves, choice sow & pigs - six killing hog - all my chickens all my hoes, mattocks, shovels, & a sythe & cradle - and one year's worth of provisions: —

3. I will my son James Anderson Ten Dollars. I have given him in my life time over sixteen hundred dollars is the reason I leave him only the above.
4. I will my negro woman Mary - my house servant, to my friend H. St. Jones Esq. & his heirs forever - in trust nevertheless for the sole & separate use of my daughter Sally the wife of Master Williams, during her life, & at her death, I will the said slave with her increase to the children of my said daughter to be equally divided between them, divested of the above trust.
5. All the residue of my estate both real & personal, consisting of lands & negroes, &c. I will devise & bequeath to my following named children & the children of my deceased daughter, Peggy Agnew, & Gilly Watson these children taking the shares their mothers would have taken had they been alive: — Namely: Nancy Watson, Sally Williams, Emily Burnsides, Wally Anderson & John Anderson, & the children of my deceased daughter just named - share & share alike. Should either of my children in this clause die, before getting possession of his or her portion herein left, then that portion is to be equally divided among the other surviving brothers & sisters herein mentioned in this 5<sup>th</sup> clause —  
The portions herein left to my daughters I will to their sole & separate use so that it shall not be subject to the debts, contracts, or control of their husbands.


All the property real & personal mentioned & disposed of in this 5<sup>th</sup> clause of my will, my will is that my executor herein after named shall sell at public outcry on such terms as he thinks best, & divide the nett proceeds as in this clause directed, and I hereby invest my Executor herein after to be named with full power & authority to sell & convey & make titles to the real Estate he may so sell for divisions. I also desire him to see to the surveying & plotting off for my wife the real Estate above left to her for life. I further desire that my said Executor will execute this my will without a resort to either of the Courts, if such a resort can be possibly avoided.

In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name & set my seal - being in disposing mind & memory to make this my last Will & Testament this the thirtieth (day)

I appoint & constitute my worthy  
 friends A. J. Jones Esq the Executor of this  
 my last will & Testament

day of May A. D. One thousand Eight hundred and  
 fifty six.

signed sealed & published  
 in presence of the witnesses  
 undesigned - who attest this  
 at my instance. who see me  
 sign, & I also seeing their sign  
 the appointment of the Execu-  
 tor on the margin made before  
 the execution of this will.

Richard L. Anderson <sup>his</sup>   
 marks

L. H. Lomas

W. C. Davis

McDonald

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

Personally came William C Davis, one  
 of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and  
 being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God  
 makes oath that he was personally present, and did see  
 Richard L. Anderson, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and  
 declare the said paper to be his last will and Testament.  
 and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind  
 memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge  
 and belief. - that L. H. Lomas and M. McDonald together  
 with himself, and in the presence of each other, and in  
 the presence of the Testator, did sign their names as  
 Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this

25 Decr. 1858.

W. Hill. O. A. D.

W. C. Davis

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

Having examined William C Davis  
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper  
 and being satisfied that it is the true last will and  
 Testament of Richard L. Anderson de? Ordered that it  
 be admitted to Probate in Common form

25 Decr 1858.

William Hill. O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came H. A. Jones, Esq. named in the annexed will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true Last Will of the said Richard L. Anderson dec'd, and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend, and the law charge him - that he will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of the said District, a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me  
25 December 1858  
W. Hill Clerk }

H. A. Jones

( Last Will & Testament of Mary P. Watson dec'd )

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

I, Mary Pettus Watson of the District and State aforesaid, wishing to make a disposition before my death, of all the personal property, goods and chattels, unto which under the kind providence of God I have been blessed, do make, ordain, and establish this my last will and Testament.

Art. 1. It is my will that the property herein after mentioned shall be divided between my children and their descendants as hereby provided - to wit.

I will that Susan and her four children, Albert, Lucinda, Thomas and Betty, making five in all, shall be sold after my death, and after the payment of all my debts, that the proceeds of sale be divided as follows, to wit.

I will that my son Jubal Watson shall have three fifths of the proceeds of the sale of said property absolutely.

Art. 2. I will one fifth of the proceeds of sale of said negroes to Benjamin J. Fulliam, to have and to hold only as Trustee, to wit: for the use and sole benefit of my daughter Belinda Cunningham, wife of Charles N. Cunningham, the uses and profits of said fifth to her during her life time free from any present or future liabilities of her husband, and at

(her)

her death to be divided equally between my two Grand children, the aforesaid Benjamin S. Pulliam and Mary Ann Sharp. If Mary Anne Sharp die without children her portion of said fifth to be divided equally between her brothers and sisters.

Art. 3. I will that my daughter Nancy Sharp, wife of John G. Sharp have one fifth of the proceeds of sale of said negroes during her life time, free from the present or future debts of her husband, and at her death that said fifth shall be equally divided between her children.

Art. 4. I will my Walnut folding table and looking glass to my grand daughter before mentioned Mary Anne Sharp.

Art. 5. I will my house & lot on which I now live containing one acre of land more or less to my grand son Moten Watson (son of the aforesaid Subal Watson), absolutely.

Art. 6. I will to my daughters Matilda Strawhorn, Huddy Pulliam, and my son John A. Watson of the proceeds of sale of said property five dollars each, to them and their heirs forever.

Art. 7. I hereby appoint John H. Mundy and William J. Arnold to execute & have enforced this my last Will and Testament. As witness my hand & seal this the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and fifty one.

Signed, sealed & delivered  
in presence of.

Witnesses. Wm. M. Stary  
Jno Buchanan  
& J. Settle

Mary P. Watson 

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came William McCainey one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Mary P. Watson, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the said paper to be her last Will & Testament - and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that John Buchanan and O. J. Settle together with himself, and in the presence of the Testatrix, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof

sworn before me this 24 Jan'y 1859 J. H. Hill. C. A. D. } Wm. M. Stary

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Having examined William McKinney  
one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Mary P  
Watson dec<sup>d</sup> - Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common  
form.

24 Jan 1859.

William Hill C. J. S.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

Personally came John St Mundy & W. J. Arnold  
Jrs named in the annexed Will, and being sworn on the Holy  
Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within  
paper is the true last Will of the said Mary P. Watson dec<sup>d</sup>, and  
that they will well and truly execute the said, by paying first  
the debts and then the legacies therein contained, so far as the  
good and chattels will extend, and the Law charge them; that  
they will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of  
the said District, a true Inventory and appraisement of the  
estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by Law

Sworn to before me

24 Jan 1859.

W Hill C. J. S.

John St Mundy

W. J. Arnold.

(The Last Will & Testament of M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Ann Fraser dec<sup>d</sup>.)

South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Know all men by these presents that I, Mary  
A. Fraser of the District and state aforesaid being of sound and  
disposing mind but knowing the uncertainty of life and anxious to  
dispose of my worldly Estate do make and constitute this  
my last Will and Testament in manner and form  
following. viz. 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will that all my just debts be paid

2<sup>nd</sup>

I give and bequeath to Archibald Fair & Thomas Living-  
ston in Trust for the sole and separate use of my daughter  
Margaret Livingston of Madison County Florida, the  
following Slaves, with their future increase if any, she to  
enjoy the use and profits thereof during the whole of her  
natural life free from the previous debts contracts or engage-  
ments of the said Margaret Livingston, W. Charlotte, Henry  
Maich Aaron, Anna Cherry, Milton, Major, Derry and John  
and at the death of my daughter Margaret Livingston the  
(aforesaid)

aforsaid Slaves together with their future increase to be equally divided between my Grand children or should any of my Grand children have previously departed this life leaving child or children they to receive the share of the deceased parent

3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Livingston the sum of Three hundred dollars.

4<sup>th</sup> It is my Will that the remainder of my negroes viz Pally, Peter, Richmond, Sam, Jackson, Jefferson, Bob, Rinda, Sam, Alford, Washington, Turner, Louisa, Aggy, Derry, Tom Paris, Norman, Anderson and Peter, be divided by Five disinterested persons into Ten lots as nearly equal in value as they can, then appraise each lot, each of my Grand children taking a lot, those receiving the most valuable paying to those who receive the less the difference

5<sup>th</sup> It is my Will that all of my personal Estate (negroes excepted) be sold by my Executor and the proceeds together with my notes, money &c after paying the aforesaid legacy of three hundred dollars and all just debts, be equally divided between my Grand children share and share alike.

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my Friend Samuel Gilmer the Tract of Land on which I now reside containing three hundred and ninety three acres more or less.

7<sup>th</sup> It is my Will that my Executor sell to the highest bidder on a credit of one and two years my Tract of Land known as the Derry Land containing one hundred and Eleven acres more or less and the proceeds to be disposed of as in section 5<sup>th</sup>. And I hereby authorize and empower my Executor to execute good and sufficient Titles to the said.

8<sup>th</sup> It is my Will and desire that if any or all of my negroes mentioned in the fourth section of this my will prefer remaining here to going with my Grand children, and can procure masters to purchase them at a price fixed by five disinterested persons — The valuation to be made on the following conditions — Purchasers to give notes payable twelve months after date and two good sureties, they be permitted to do so and the proceeds of such sale to be equally distributed among my Grand children, share and share alike.



9<sup>th</sup> I hereby nominate and appoint my Friend Samuel Gilmer Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

Signed, sealed and published as my last Will and Testament in presence of Lemuel Reid, Leroy C. Wilson and James Means, who at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed their names as witnesses thereto this thirteenth day of January in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and fifty nine.

The words "with their future increase if any" on the first page, and the word "payable" on 3 page intlined before signing

Mary A. <sup>her</sup> Frazer <sup>made</sup> (seal)

Leroy C. Wilson  
James M. Means  
Lemuel Reid

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came Leroy C. Wilson one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Mary A. Frazer sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the said paper to be her last Will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that James M. Means and Lemuel Reid together with himself and in the presence of the Testatrix, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Leroy C. Wilson

Sworn before me this  
26 Jan'y 1859  
W. Hill. C. A. S.

State of South Carolina } Having examined Leroy C. Wilson  
Abbeville District } one of the subscribing witnesses to the  
annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last  
Will and Testament of Mary A. Frazer dec'd. Ordered that  
it be admitted to Probate in Common form  
26 Jan'y 1859. William Hill. C. A. S.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came Samuel Gilmer Secular named in the Annexed Will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says, that the within paper is the true last Will of Mary A. Grass dead and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and Chattels will extend and the law charge him, - that he will make and return into the Office of the Ordinary of the said District a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me

26 Jan'y 1859

William Hile. o. a. s.

S. Gilmer. Secular

{ Last Will & Testament }  
of John Edward Foster dead }

South Carolina

Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen.

I, John Edward Foster of the State and District before mentioned being desirous to dispose of all such worldly goods as has pleased God to bless me with do make constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament.

- 1<sup>st</sup> I give to my well beloved Wife Jane B. Foster the following property, a negre man Joe Canaige and Hearness, Bed, bedstead and furniture, and three hundred Dollars in money.
- 2<sup>d</sup> I give to Charles W. Cowan two negros Bill and Louis and other property amounting to fourteen hundred dollars.
- 3<sup>d</sup> I give to Augustus P. Cowan Amanda and other property amounting to fourteen hundred Dollars.
- 4<sup>th</sup> It is my will that my other four children Robert Jordan Foster, Mary Carolina Foster, John Edward Foster & Jane Boman Foster be made equal with C. W. Cowan & A. P. Cowan, out of the proceeds of my property, and the money coming to them be put to Interest by three Guardians hereafter named.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Immediately after my death it is my will that all my property not already disposed of both personal and Real or of what soever nature it may be sold by my Executors