

hands of Almighty God who gave it & my body to the Earth to be entred decently at the direction of my Cane & touching such worldly goods I shall as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me with I give in the following manner.

Item I give unto my loving wife Ann Gardner (sic Neg Stewart) Casar, Peter, Sam, Pat, Hannah & Lucy during her natural life to raise & school my children on and after her death the above named my to be equally divided amongst all my surviving Children Henry, Jr., James, John, Ann, Betty Rhoda Polly D & Peggy Gardner to them & their heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son Henry Gardner, the land with the appurtenances that I bought of Moses Darden lying on Cedar swamp containing one hundred & fourteen acres & one hundred acres lying on the east side of Cypress Swamp, also one Neg. boy name Arthur to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son, Sr. Gardner the land I bought of Moses Darden lying on the Cypress swamp as follows one tract of land containing two hundred & forty-nine acres lying on both sides of the said Swamp and one tract adjacent thereto lying on the same swamp containing fifty-three acres with the appurtenances, Also my will and desire is that to have a house built on the said tract of land twenty-eight feet by fifteen with a partition through it one half plank floor like other half dirt, milled chimney at each end, to be built out of the estate left my wife Also one Negro boy named Andrew one bed & furniture, one chest, two black walnut chairs two maple ditto, one dish, one basin, four pewter plates & three spoons & three earthen plates, one Iron Pot, one horse bridle & saddle two cows and calves, three sows & Pigs, five ewes & Lambs to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son James Gardner the plantation & land I now live on allowing my wife free privilege on the same during her life Also one Cyder Still planted on the said land one bed & furniture, one black walnut desk six leather chairs, one dish, one basin, four pewter plates & three spoons & three earthen plates one Iron Pot, one Negro boy named Will two cows & calves three sows & Pigs five ewes & Lambs to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son Jesse Gardner one tract of Land I bought of Matthew Jones lying on the south side of Black water Beginning at the mouth of the Cyder Swamp thence up the various courses of the said swamp to John McCabes Line thence down the said line to Black water thence down the same to the beginning containing forty acres more or less One Negro man named Pompey I desire at my death, to be hired out until the said child becomes of lawful age and the money arising therefrom to be appropriated to the use of the said child to school him &c. and after he becomes of lawful age to take the said Neg. Man in possession forever. Also one Neg. Girl named Amy one bed & furniture one chest two black walnut chairs two maple ditto one dish, one basin, four pewter plates three spoons & three earthen plates, one Iron Pot, one horse bridle & saddle 2 cows & calves, 3 sows & Pigs, 5 ewes & Lambs, to him & his heirs forever. And in case either of the brothers should die under age my desire is that his Land should be equally divided amongst his other brothers then a two-

Item I give unto my daughter Ann Jones one Neg. Girl named Ann to her during her life and after her death to all her children then a live to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give unto my daughter Betty Carr one Negro Girl named Patience to her & hers forever. I give unto my daughter Rhoda Gardner one Negro Girl named Poley one bed and furniture one wooden wheel one chest two black walnut chairs two maple ditto one dish one basin