

ANN MILLAR Last Will and Testament
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17th August A.D. 1871 J.A. Webb, Registrar.

In the name of God Amen!

I Ann Millar of the Island of New Providence, Spinster, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding but feeble in body and considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner following hereby revoking and making void all wills codicil and other testamentary dispositions made by me at any time or times heretofore.

It is my desire that my body be interred in the burial ground of St. Matthew's Parish; near the graves of my brothers Robert and Archibald Millar.

I direct that all my just debts funeral and testamentary expenses be fully paid and satisfied by my executors hereinafter named out of my personal estate as soon as conveniently may be after my decease.

The joint stock held originally in the names of my brother, Robert Millar, and myself in the three per cent consolidated funds of Great Britain but now my individual property and estate to which the sum of Four thousand nine hundred and ninety nine pounds four shilling and sixpence, I give and bequeath to as follows:

To Jane D. Boswell and Kate D. Boswell, Spinsters, daughters of the late Jane D. Boswell nine hundred and ninety-nine pounds four shilling and sixpence, I give and bequeath to as follows:

To Jane D. Boswell and Kate D. Boswell, Spinsters, daughters of the late Jane D. Boswell of Garalland Shyn, Ayr, North Britain I give and bequeath the sum of Two thousand pounds to be equally divided between them.

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aforesaid principal; sum of five hundred pounds to be equally divided between them.

To Jane Marshall, widow of the late William Marshall, I give and bequeath the sum of two hundred pounds subject to a deduction of any balance that may be due to me by his estate for monies lent him by me.

To Daniel Shepherd Farrington of Nassau, Merchant, I give and bequeath the sum of two hundred pounds.

To Robert Hinshaw, a merchant of Liverpool, I give and bequeath the sum of two hundred pounds. To Thomas Martin Matthews of Nassau, Esquire, I give and bequeath the sum of one hundred pounds.

I give and bequeath unto Charlotte Cash, widow of the late Lieutenant Cash, royal Artillery, the sum of forty pounds.

To Sophia Ann Baldwin, daughter of Henry and Ann Baldwin I give and bequeath the sum of fifty pounds.

To Mary Elizabeth Brace, daughter of Thomas Brace, I give and bequeath the sum of fifty pounds.

To Ellen Millar Farrington, daughter of Daniel S. Farrington, merchant, I give and bequeath the sum of fifty pounds.

To Charles Chipman, son of Horatio A. Chipman M.D. I give and bequeath the sum of fifty pounds.

To Anna Claridge daughter of Harriet M. Claridge, I give and bequeath the sum of fifty pounds.

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Refined I give and bequeath the sum of forty pounds.

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To Mary Millar, Julianna Millar, Georgianna Millar, Robert
Millar and Olivia Millar children of the late George Millar,
Blacksmith, I give and bequeath the sum one hundred pounds to be
equally divided between them.

To Lucinda Solomon, daughter of Frederick Millar, Asylum Estate
Eleuthera, I give and bequeath the sum of twenty pounds.

To my servant Pender Simmons now residing with me, I give and
bequeath the sum of thirty pounds.

To Sophy and Polly daughters of the said Pender Simmons, I give
and bequeath the sum of ten pounds to be equally divided between
them.

To my servants Allan Millar, I give and bequeath the sum of thirty
pounds.

To my old servants and former slaves, James McKay, David
McKay and Harriet McKay and Charles McKinney of Eleuthera, I
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Seipio Millar, and old Nelly Millar, I give and bequeath the sum of
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To my old servants and former slaves old Harriet, Sarah, Grace, Fatima Dinah, Sue and old Jacob, I give and bequeath the sum of twenty-eight pounds to be equally divided between them.

To Rachel Millar of Eleuthera I give and bequeath the sum of five pounds.

To Mrs. Lewison, widow, of Mr. S.E. Robertson, widow, Frederick Fowler, Mrs. Littlewood, wife of the Reverend N. Littlewood, Baptiste Missionary, and Mrs. Margaret Johnson residing near me I give and bequeath the sum of twenty-five pounds to be equally divided between them.

To Mrs. McIntyre, widow, Caroline Wells and Harriet Butler, daughter of the late Robert Butler, deceased, I give and bequeath to each of them the sum of ten pounds.

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To Ann Demeritte daughter of the late James McKinney, Joseph Sims, son of the late Joseph Sims of Long Island, Mrs. Dridge formerly Mary Wells I give and bequeath the sum of fifteen pounds to each of them.

To Harriet Munnings daughter of the late Benjamin McKinney, deceased, I give and bequeath the sum of Twenty pounds, for her sole and separate use and not to be subject to the control of her husband, or liable for his debts, contracts or engagements, her receipts being a full discharge to my executors on payment thereof.

To Sarah Saunders, widow, daughter of the late Robert Bell and to the children of her sister Mary Ann, I give and bequeath the sum of ten pounds to be equally divided between them.

My Freehold property situated on the Island of New Providence I give and devise as follows:

To the aforesaid Sophia Ann Baldwin, I give and devise a piece or parcel of land situated in the Eastern District of the Island of New Providence known as "Gibbonys" fronting on Shirley Street and bounded Westwardly by part of a lot of land granted to a certain _____ Christie.

The lot of land originally granted to the said Christie, fronting on Shirley Street and on which I am now residing together with the dwelling house, out offices, orchards, and other appurtenances as also the lot adjoining the sauces on the south originally granted to a certain John Perpall deceased I give and devise the sum unto Julianna M. Farrington for and during the term of her natural life and no longer; and upon her death I give and devise the sauce unto her sister Mary Ann Farrington, Sarah M. Farrington and Rebecca J. Farrington their heirs and assigns forever as tenants in common provided however, and it is with the express condition, that a ready made access be permitted to the land situated to the Southward of the aforesaid property so long as the last-mentioned land shall be occupied by the parties to whom have devised the sauce but not otherwise.

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The thirty acres of land, adjoining Christie's track on the South and purchased by my deceased brother from the Crown, I devised as follows:

To my servant, Pender Simmons and to the issue of her baby begotten forever I give and devise two acres thereof situated on the Eastern part of the said land.

Other five acres adjoining the last mention 10 acres on the East, I give and devise unto my set servant Alan Miller.

The residue of the aforesaid land, I devised to the aforementioned Children of the deceased. George Miller, their heirs, and assigns forever as tenants in common.

I give and devise unto the said Mary Juliana Robert. Georgiana and Olivia Miller. their heirs and assigns forever as tenants in Commons, the lot of land and premises situated in the Eastern District of New Providence on which a Blacksmith shop and other buildings are erected.

The lot of land adjoining the Scotch Church on the west, I direct my executors to sell to the best advantage, the proceeds arising from which I appropriate and bequeath as follows:

One part thereof to the Elders of the said church for the use of the said church, one other fourth part thereof to the Committee or Trustees of the Missionary Hall Nassau to assist in enclosing the lot and the residue thereof to the Vesting [Vestry] of St. Matthews Church, to be expended in keeping the burial grounds in order.

The tract of land on the Island of Eleuthera known as "Millars' Settlement" containing about One Thousand Acres. Apart of which however, I have already disposed of, I give and devised the residue thereof to my old servants and former slaves.

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Old Seipio and his wife Phyllis, old Harriet, Tom, and his wife Grace and her children, sailor George and his wife, Sarah and her children, Dinah Millar and her children to be held in enjoyed by them in common, and by their descendants forever.

The land adjoining "Millar's Settlement" aforesaid (excepting two hundred and fifty acres thereof) part of a tract originally, granted to William A. Bowles I give and devise unto my old servant and former slaves now residing or who may be residing, at the time of my death on Millar's settlement aforesaid including also the last mentioned parties, and Old Jack, his wife Chloe and her children, my servants Penda and her children Allan Miller to be held and enjoyed by them in common and by their descendants forever.

The Two hundred and fifty acres aforesaid part of the track granted to William A. Bowles I give and devise as follows:

To Lewis B. Thompson, Planter of Eleuthera I devise one hundred acres thereof situated on the Western part of the said land and to his heirs and assigns forever.

To Frederick Millar and his descendants in common forever I devise one hundred acres, adjoining the last mentioned portion, and to

James McKay, and his descendants forever in common. I devised the remaining Fifty acres.

Two hundred acres of the western part of the tract of land known as Asylum, I devised unto Harriet McKay, James McKay, David McKay and Charles McKinney to be held and enjoyed by them in common and by their descendants forever.

The residue of the said track I give and devise to the parties now residing or who may be so at my death, on the said property to be held and enjoyed by them in common and by their descendants forever.

My land on Long Island known as "Strawberry Hill Estate" I devise unto my old servants and former slaves old Peter Millar, his children and grandchildren and

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their descendants forever in common. Should the grandchildren of old Nancy Miller be desirous of returning and residing thereon they are to be permitted to do so and also to cultivate the said land for their benefit.

The furniture now in the drawing room comprising, one dozen of mahogany chairs, one pair of card tables, a piano, mirror, sofa table, two Mahogany rocking chairs, one pair of the plated candle sticks and shades, and two pictures of the Poet Burns, and also my side board. I give and bequeath unto Juliana M. Farrington, Mary Ann Farrington, Sarah M. Farrington, Rebecca J. Farrington. My silver tea set I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth A. Farrington and her sister Mrs. Claridge.

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And as to all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate boat real and personal and wheresoever situated, I give and devise and bequeath the same, every part thereof unto my friend Daniel S. Farrington his heirs and assigns forever.

And I nominate and appoint the said, Daniel Shepherd Farrington, Thomas Martin Matthews and Robert Hinshaw, Merchant of Liverpool, Executors of this, my will

The witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Nassau in the Island of New Providence to wit my hand at the foot of the tree first sheets, and my hand, and seal to this fourth, and last sheet, this twelfth day of January in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-nine [1869].

Ann Miller

Signed, Sealed published and declared by the said Ann Miller the Tutatrix as and for the last will and testament in the presence of us who in her presence at her request and in the presence of each others have subscribed our names as Witnesses hereto.

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And I nominate and appoint the said, Daniel Shepherd Farrington, Thomas Martin Matthews and Robert Hinshaw, Merchant of Liverpool, Executors of this, my will

The witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Nassau in the Island of New Providence to wit my hand at the foot of the tree first sheets, and my hand, and seal to this fourth, and last sheet, this twelfth day of January in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-nine [1869].

Ann Miller

Signed, Sealed published and declared by the said Ann Miller the Tutatrix as and for the last will and testament in the presence of us who in her presence at her request and in the presence of each others have subscribed our names as Witnesses hereto.

Michael J. Knowles and F. G. Armbrtser, (Not Original Font)