

“Thirteenth. It is my will and desire that my friend, William Rea, shall be the executor of this my last will and testament, and that he shall be entitled to have and receive for his trouble and personal expenses ten per cent. on the inventory as executor, and also ten per cent. on the money he shall pay over as trustee to the several persons interested in the trust, in addition to any other expenses he may deem it just and right to incur for the benefit of the property confided to him as executor or trustee.”

On the same day he added a codicil, in which he made a bequest of a silver pitcher to each of two friends, and afterwards, on the 27th of October, 1840, he executed a second codicil, by which he ratified and confirmed his will, “save and except such clauses, bequests and devises therein mentioned as are by me hereinafter revoked and made void.” He then revoked the fourth clause of his will, and substituted therefor the following :

“I give and devise unto the said L. M. Roberts, in addition to the above during her natural lifetime and no longer, all that farm I purchased of James A. Waddell, the then sheriff of Dorchester county, as the property of William A. Wheatley, and after her death I give and devise the said farm unto my friend, William Rea, and his heirs and assigns forever, in trust for the benefit of my two negro boys, Daniel and Henry, in the same manner as provided for by the general provisions of this my will.”

“The eleventh section of my will I revoke, so far as the same shall be found inconsistent with the following clause of this my codicil. If any bequest or devise contained in my last will and testament, or this my codicil, shall fail to take effect from any cause, in such an event I will and desire that the trustee and executor by this will appointed, shall immediately transfer the equitable and legal title to the same, be the same real or personal, (except negroes,) to the states of Delaware, Pennsylvania or New Jersey, for the benefit of said states, or either of them that will guarantee the freedom and emancipation of my slaves by this my will and codicil, to be liberated and freed, as well as my two young negroes, Washington Decatur, aged about fifteen months, and my negro girl Diana, aged about nine