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In the name of God Amen— I Thomas Stokes of the  
 County of Spurlinburg & State of Kentucky being serene in  
 body & strong in mind do make this my last will & testament  
 1<sup>st</sup> I do will & Bequeath unto my son John Stokes his heirs ad  
 all & his heirs & his heirs - 2<sup>nd</sup> I do will & Bequeath to my son James  
 Callaway Stokes and certain arrears claimed by my son  
 J. C. Stokes saddle & bridles & a certain cow & calf also claimed  
 by my son J. C. Stokes - 3<sup>rd</sup> I do will & Bequeath unto my son  
 Fayette Stokes my two coats - 4<sup>th</sup> I do will & Bequeath unto  
 my dear beloved wife Sally Stokes all the balance of  
 my property during <sup>her</sup> her life & after her death to go  
 unto my son Fayette Stokes 5<sup>th</sup> My will is that all my just debts  
 be paid out of the above named property - 6<sup>th</sup> My will and  
 is that Thomas J. Anthony & James T. Quisenberry be my  
 executor - Given under my hand & seal this 19<sup>th</sup> August 1844

Thomas J. Anthony  
 James T. Quisenberry

his  
 Thomas Stokes  
 mark

Commonwealth of Kentucky  
 Spurlinburg County  
 October County Court 1844

The foregoing last will & testament of Thomas Stokes  
 was exhibited unto by the executors therein named & proved  
 to be the act & deed of said Thomas Stokes by the oath of  
 Thomas J. Anthony & James T. Quisenberry the subscribing  
 witnesses thereto & ordered to be Recorded. Which is thereupon  
 admitted to & truly Recorded

at  
 W. H. King