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at his request and in the presence of each other James J. Trimble  
John D. Trimble  
subscribed and sworn to before me the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1847  
Jas. Allison Clerk P. B.

Elyia Meriam's will.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Elyia Meriam of the County of Orange and State of Indi-  
and being of very feeble body less of sound mind & memory  
knowing the uncertainty of this life and the certainty of death  
and that I must soon pass from time to eternity feel  
owing to the circumstances that surround me that it  
is my duty to make a disposition of what earthly  
and temporal things which the blessings of God have  
bestowed up me do make this my last will and  
testament as follows:

Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I resign my body to the grave and my  
soul to God, who govern it

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I desire that my body shall be decently interred  
in the burying ground at Padi adjoining the grave of my  
deceased husband

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I further desire is that all my just debts  
and personal expenses <sup>first</sup> be paid by my executor hereafter to  
be paid appointed

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath all my personal property  
of whatever character after the payments above specified  
to my daughter Helen M. Lewis while she remains single  
to be held by the said Helen M. Lewis while she remains  
single in trust for her children to be held used and  
occupied by the said Helen Lewis during her life if she  
never marries again and at her death to be transmitted  
to <sup>her</sup> said children, and in the same manner I will and  
bequeath to the said Helen Lewis for the use and benefit  
of her said children all other property whether real personal  
or mixed which divine providence has blessed me with  
and my further will is that my executor shall not dis-  
pose of my property or any part of it at public sale  
but that the property and net proceed thereof be by my  
executor passed into the possession of the said Helen  
Lewis for the purposes above specified but should it be-  
come necessary to sell any of my property for the purposes  
of paying any debts of mine my will is that my Executor sell

The same privately - And my further will and devise is that if the said Helen M Lewis marry again that my executor herein appointed take immediately possession of all the property herein devised and hold the same for the use and benefit of the present children of the said Helen until they all arrive of full age, and then the property to be passed to them.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I hereby appoint John Wise Executor of this my last will and testament with the request that he will kindly accept said appointment and endeavor to carry into execution this my last desire - And I hereby revoke all former wills testaments and codicils - Given under my hand and seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty seven.

Elija<sup>h</sup> Menom (circled)  
Mark

Signed, sealed and acknowledged before us in our presence and in the presence of each other  
 by W. Wise  
 A. J. Simpson

We do solemnly swear that we saw Elija Menom sign, seal, publish, and declare this writing as her last will and testament that we believe she was at the time of its execution of sound mind and memory and not under coercion or constraint and that we signed our names thereto as witnesses in the presence of said testator, and in the presence of each other at her request so help us God

H. W. Wise  
 A. J. Simpson

Subscribed, and sworn to before me Jeremiah Wilson clerk of the probate court of Orange County at the Court house in Paoli the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1847 Test my name & the seal of said court the day & year aforesaid

(JS)

Jm Wilson clk  
 By Mr. Clerk del.

Jacob Cook. Will

August the 11<sup>th</sup> 1847. I make this my last will and testament. I will unto my wife Catharine the right of taking one fourth of the profits of the home place her life time if needed, and the right of taking what she pleases out of the house hold and kitchen furniture as long as she lives, and will all the home place to my son Absolom Cook being the south east quarter of section Twelve in Township No. one - th of range one