

The State of North Carolina, }  
Before the Superior Court Clerk.  
*Mitaupeian* COUNTY.

To All Whom these Presents shall Come--GREETING:

It being satisfactorily proven to the Undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for *Mitaupeian* County, that *Samuel Maurice*, late of said County, is dead, having made *his* last Will and Testament, which has been admitted to Probate (a true copy of which is hereto annexed) and *E. B. Lassiter*, the Executor named therein, having qualified as such according to law.

NOW, These are therefore to empower the said Executor to enter in and upon all and singular, the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of the said deceased, and the same to take into possession, wheresoever to be found, and all the just debts of the said deceased to pay and satisfy, and the residue of said estate to distribute according to the directions of said Will.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court, this the *4<sup>th</sup>* day of *August*, 188*8*.

*J. E. Broughton*  
Clerk of the Superior Court.

Every executor, administrator and collector, within three months after his qualification, shall return to the Clerk on oath, a just, true and perfect inventory of all the real estate, goods and chattels of the said deceased, which have come to his hands, or to the hands of any person for him, which inventory shall be signed by him and be recorded by the Clerk. He shall also return to the Clerk, on oath, within three months after each sale made by him, a full and itemized account thereof, which shall be signed by him and recorded by the Clerk. Whenever further property not included in any previous return, shall come to the hands or knowledge of any executor, administrator or collector, he must cause the same to be returned within three months after the possession or discovery thereof.—The Code, Secs. 1396, 1398.



