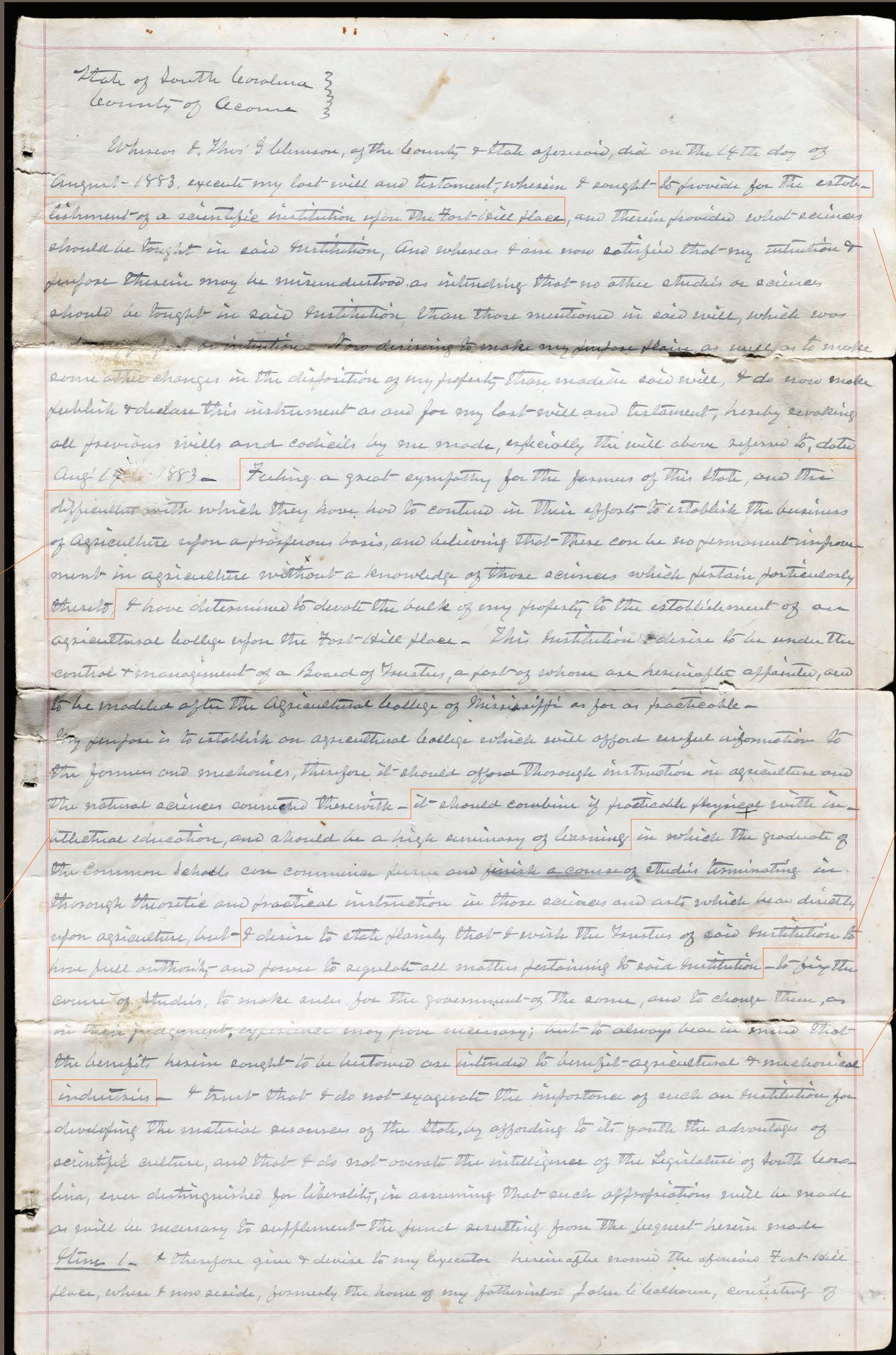


# The WILLS That started it all

"Feeling a great sympathy for the farmers of this State, and the difficulties with which they have had to contend in their efforts to establish the business of agriculture upon a prosperous basis, and believing that there can be no permanent improvement in agriculture without a knowledge of those sciences which pertain particularly thereto ..."

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"... it should combine, if practicable, physical and intellectual education, and should be a high seminary of learning ..."



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"... to provide for the establishment of a scientific institution upon the Fort Hill place ..."

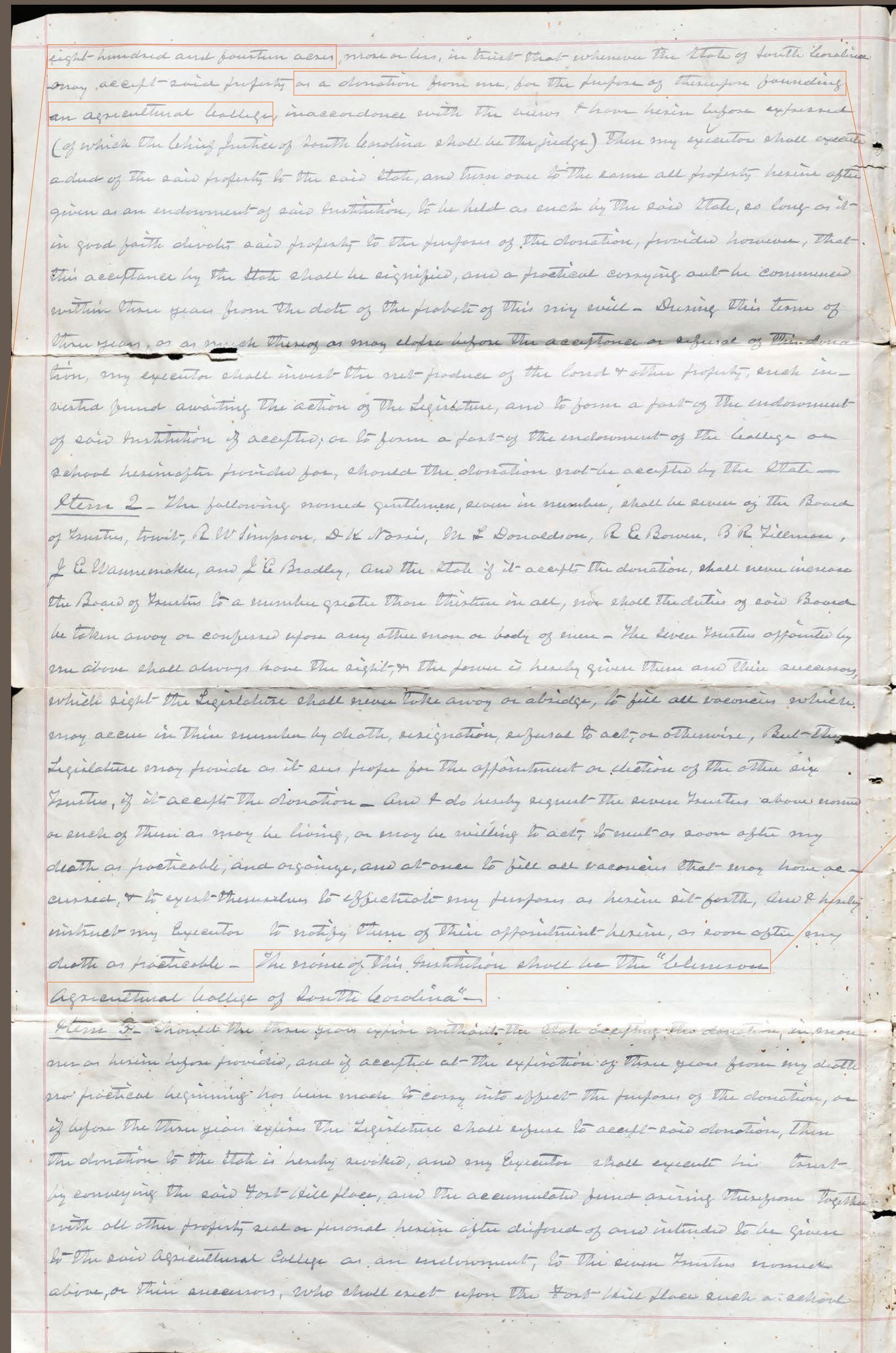
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"... I desire to state plainly that I wish the trustees of said institution to have full authority and power to regulate all matters pertaining to said institution ..."

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"... intended to benefit agricultural and mechanical industries."

# Hiram L. Clemonson

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"... eight hundred and fourteen acres ..."



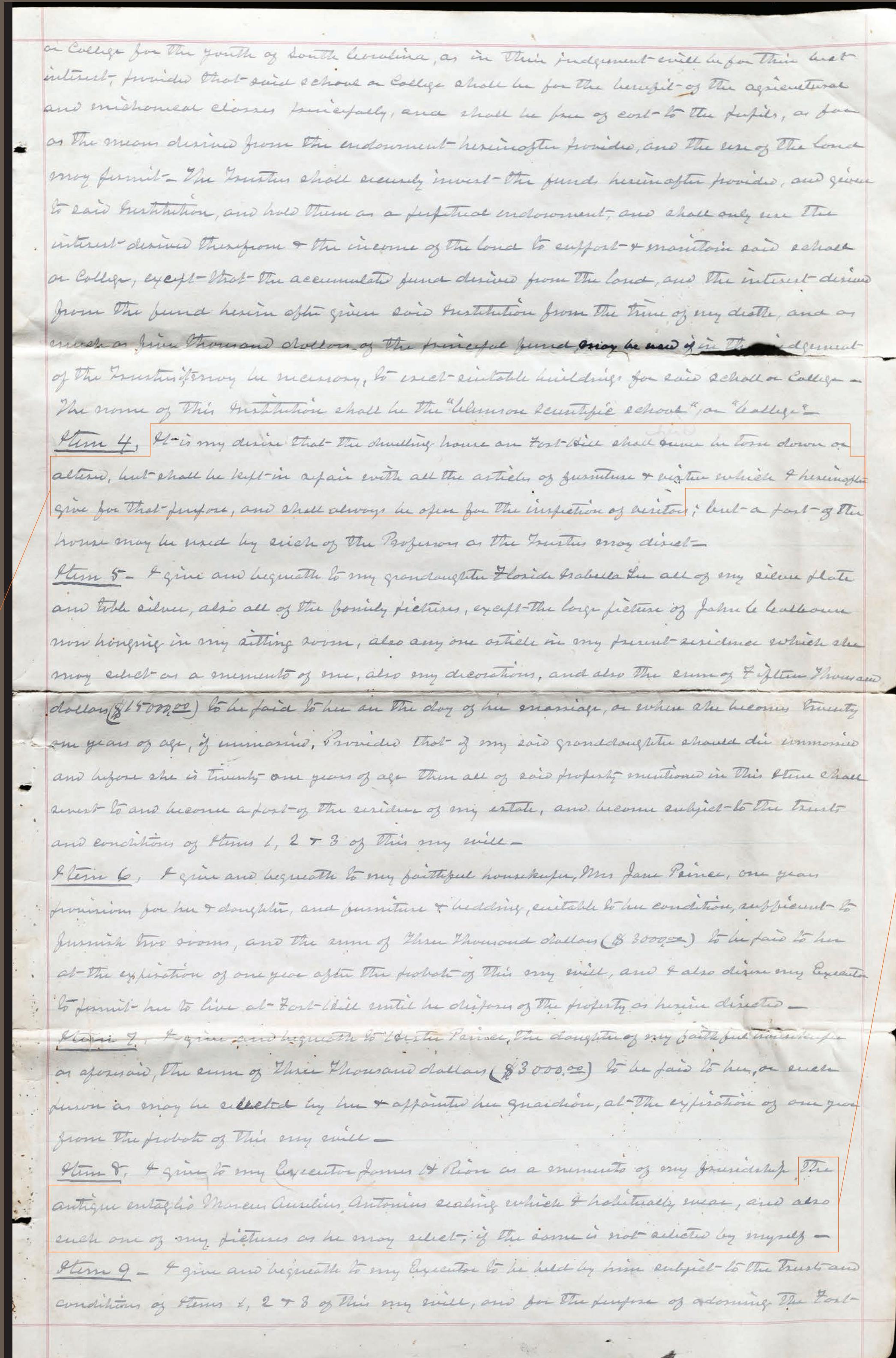
"... as a donation from me, for the purpose of there upon founding an agricultural college ..."

"The name of this institution shall be the 'Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina.'"

H. C. S. G. Clemson

# The WILLS That started it all

"It is my desire that the dwelling house on Fort Hill shall never be torn down or altered, but shall be kept in repair, with all the articles of furniture and vesture which I hereinafter give for that purpose, and shall always be open for the inspection of visitors..."



"... the antique entaglio Marcus Aurelius Antonius sealing which I habitually wear, and also such one of my pictures as he may select, if the same is not selected by myself."

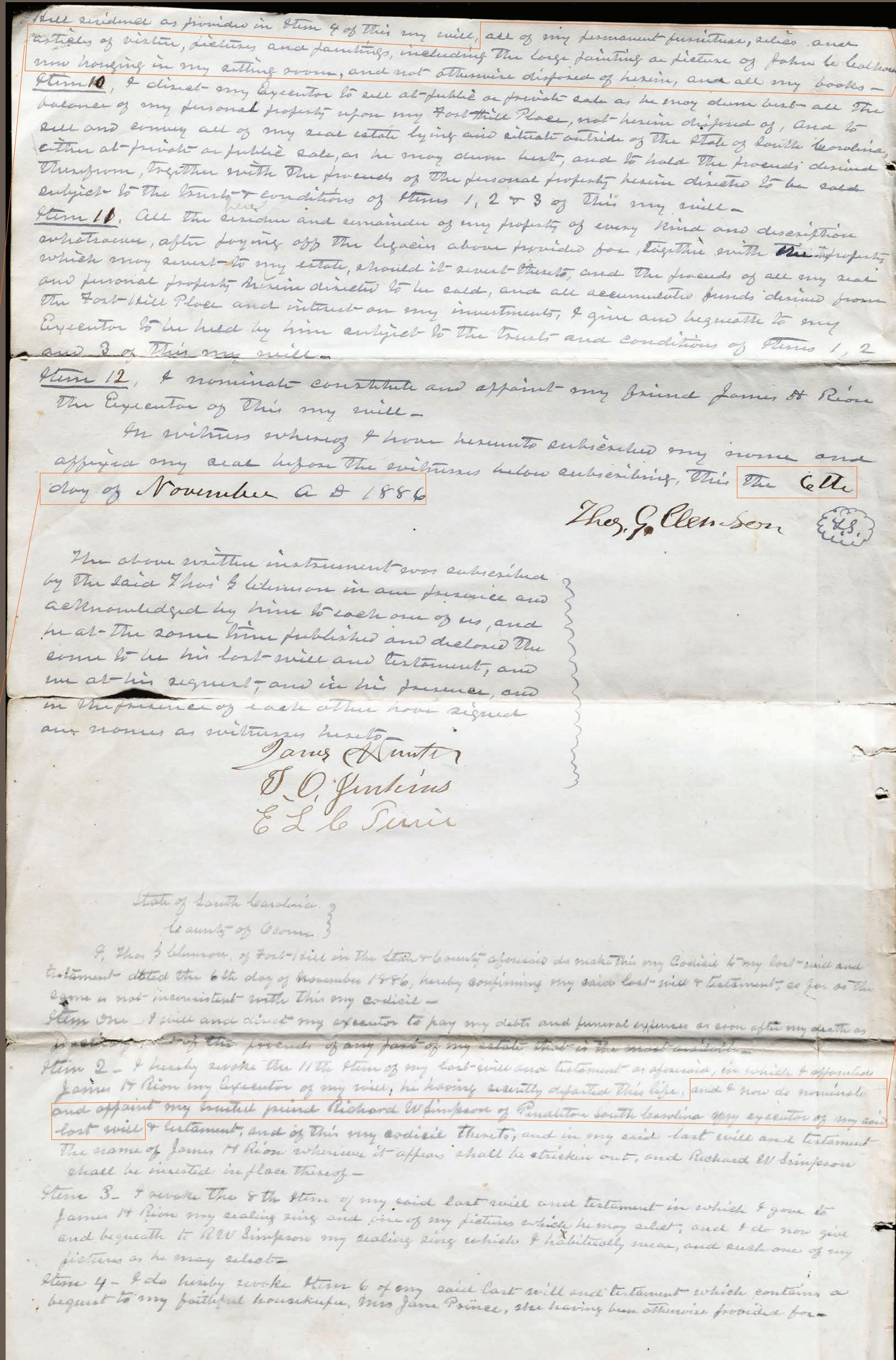
# H. C. Clemson

# The WILLS

## That started it all

"...all of my permanent furniture, relics and articles of vesture, pictures and paintings, including the large painting or picture of John C. Calhoun, now hanging in my sitting room, and not otherwise disposed of herein, and all of my books."

"... the 6th day of November, A. D.  
1886."



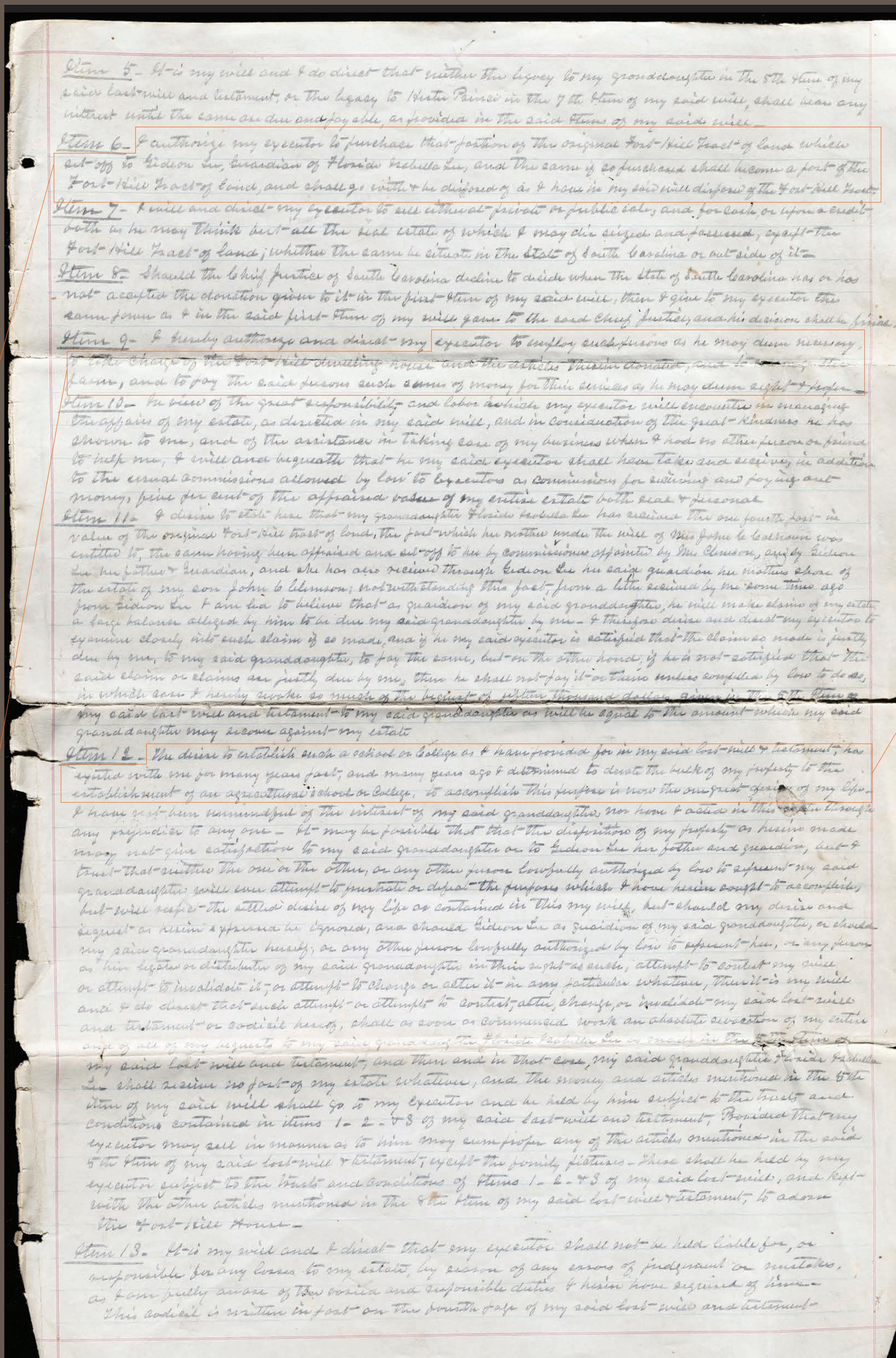
"... and I now do nominate and appoint my trusted friend, Richard W. Simpson, of Pendleton, South Carolina, my executor of my said last will..."

*H. G. Clemson*

# The WILLS That started it all

"I authorize my executor to purchase that portion of the original Fort Hill tract of land which set off to Gideon Lee, guardian of Floride Isabella Lee, and the same if so purchased shall become part of the Fort Hill tract of land, and shall go with and be disposed of as I have in my said will disposed of the Fort Hill tract."

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"... executor to employ such persons he may deem necessary to take charge of the Fort Hill dwelling house and the articles therein donated, and to manage the farm and to pay the said persons such a sum of money for their service as he may deem right and proper."

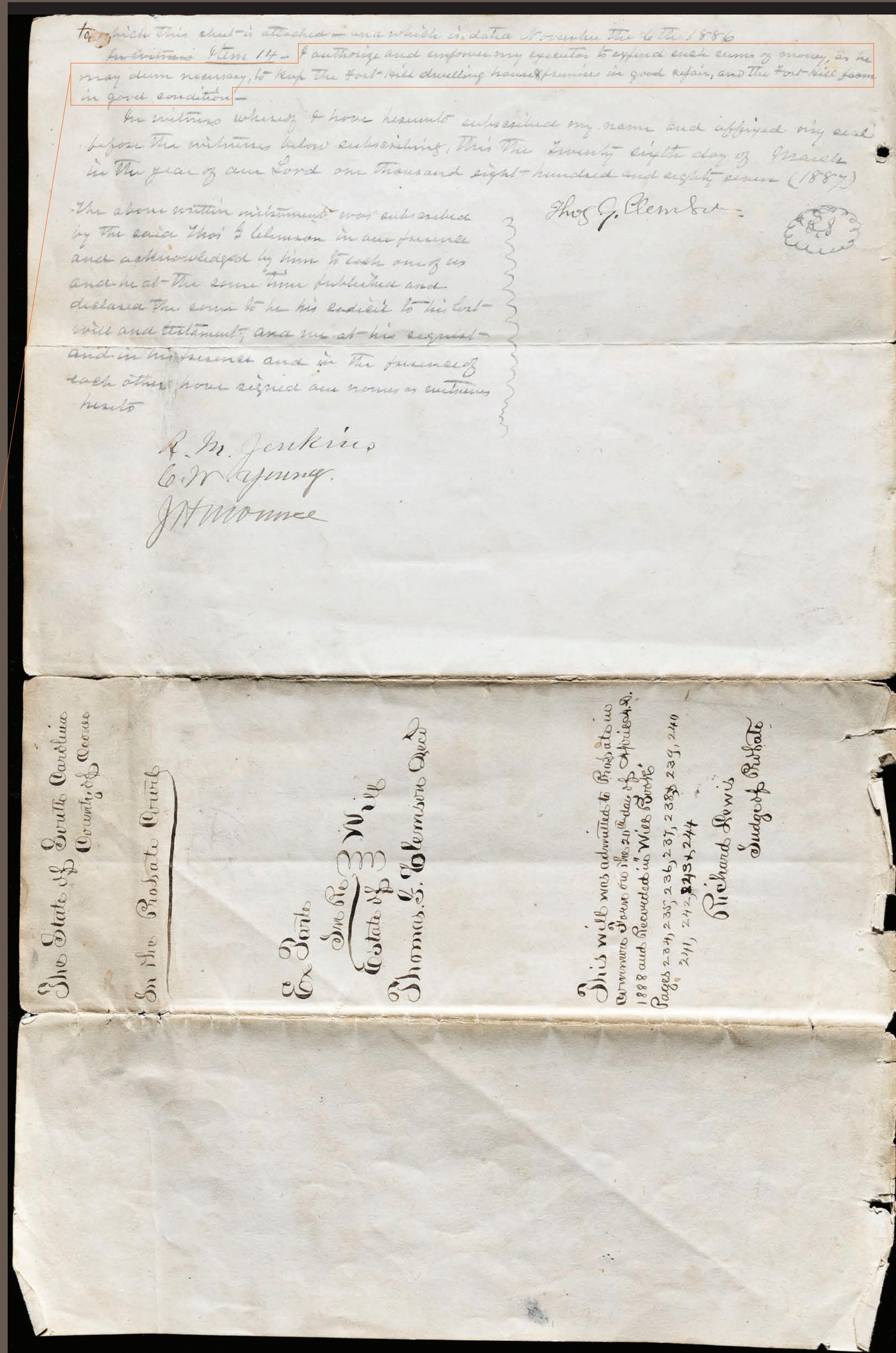


"The desire to establish such a school or college as I have provided for in my said last will and testament, has existed with me for many years past, and many years ago I determined to devote the bulk of my property to the establishment of an agricultural school or college. To accomplish this purpose is now the one great desire of my life. I have not been unmindful of the interest of my said granddaughter, nor have I acted in this matter through any prejudice to any one - It may be possible that that the disposition of my property as herein made may not give satisfaction to my said granddaughter or to Gideon Lee her father and guardian, and I trust that neither the one or the other, or any other person lawfully authorized by law to represent my said granddaughter will ever attempt to prosecute or defeat the purposes which I have herein sought to accomplish but will respect the settled desire of my life as contained in this my will, but should my desire and intent as herein expressed be disputed, and should Gideon Lee as guardian of my said granddaughter, or should my said granddaughter herself, or any other person lawfully authorized by law to represent her, or any person as his successor or substitute of my said granddaughter in this respect as aforesaid, attempt to contest my will, or attempt to invalidate it; or attempt to change or alter it in any particular whatever, then it is my will and desire that such attempt or attempt to contest, alter, change, or invalidate my said last will and testament or codicil thereto, shall be void or rendered void an absolute revocation of my entire will and of all of my bequests to my said granddaughter, Gideon Lee as guardian of my said granddaughter, or to my said last will and testament, and thus and in that case, my said granddaughter, Gideon Lee shall receive no part of my estate whatever, and the money and articles mentioned in the 6th item of my said will shall go to my executor and be held by him subject to the trusts and conditions contained in items 1-2-3-8 of my said last will and testament. Provided that my executor may sell in manner as to him may seem proper any of the articles mentioned in the said 6th item of my said last will and testament except the family pictures - These shall be held by my executor subject to the trusts and conditions of items 1-2-3-8 of my said last will, and kept with the other articles mentioned in the 6th item of my said last will and testament, to adorn the Fort Hill House."

Item 13 - It is my will and I direct that my executor shall not be held liable for, or responsible for any losses to my estate, by reason of any errors of judgment or mistakes, as I am fully aware of the various and responsible duties & herein have required of him - This codicil is written in full on the fourth page of my said last will and testament.

# H. C. G. Clemson

# The WILLS That started it all



"I authorize and empower my  
executor to expend such sums of  
money as he may deem necessary  
to keep the Fort Hill dwelling house  
and premises in repair, and the Fort  
Hill farm in good condition."

H. C. G. Clemens