

may be possessed of or entitled to. And I do hereby appoint her my sole Executrix of this will, and so request that no bond or security be required of her for the performance of her duties.

2^d I wish my gold watch seal and chain to be given and do bequeath the same to the eldest son of James M. Reed alive at my death.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 14th day of July 1864
Signed Sealed & acknowledged as to the last will & testament of James M. Garard, & we subscribed in his presence

P. Dudley
A. J. James

State of Kentucky E. 55
Franklin County Court August Term 1865
A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of James Garard dec^d was produced in court and was proved by the oath of Peter Dudley & A. J. James the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which is truly done

A. H. Penneck cflb

In the name of God Amen. I Jesse Brown of the County of Franklin State of Kentucky being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and distressing memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with.

1st I desire that all of the perishable part of my estate be immediately sold after my decease and out of the moneys arising therefrom pay and satisfy all of my just debts and funeral expenses. Should the perishable property prove insufficient for the above purposes then I desire that my Executors hereafter named may sell such other property as their judgment may dictate to them well be best to answer the purpose of paying the remaining portion of my just debts should there be any

2^d After the payment of my debts and funeral expenses I give to my beloved wife Octavo Brown the services of my negro woman Martha during her natural life & at her death to do with as she thinks proper with. Also my negro boy Daniel the son of my negro woman Martha to have the services of during her natural life and at

her death to give boy Daniel to either of my children that she may think proper. I further give and bequeath to my wife Octavo Brown one thirds part of all the remaining portion of my estate both real and personal including the mansion house and out buildings during her natural life with the privilege of any one of my children living with my wife that she may think proper to permit to do so, and after the death of my wife her third part of the property as above mentioned with the exceptions of the negro woman Martha and boy Daniel to be equally divided between all of my children namely Randolph P. Brown Jesse Brown Margaret Paxton Ann C. Brown and Benjamin Brown should he return home alive if not to be equally divided among the surviving children

3rd I give to my son Randolph P. Brown of Anderson county Kentucky after my wife's third part is given to her two equal shares one in trust to him for the benefit of my son Benjamin Brown should he return home alive if not his share to be equally divided between all of the rest of my children by my son Randolph P. Brown:

3rd I give to my son Jesse Brown of Franklin county Ky one equal share of my estate

4th I give to my daughter Margaret Paxton of Franklin County Ky one equal share of my estate

5th I give to my daughter Ann C. Brown now living in my house with her one equal share of my estate.

And last I do hereby constitute and appoint my two sons Randolph P. Brown and Jesse Brown executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other or previous wills or testaments by me hereafter to fore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 29th day of July 1864

Signed Sealed & acknowledged as to the last will & testament of the above named Jesse Brown the word and was extorted blood my before signed

Thomas Farmer
R. A. Hawkins

Jesse Brown Seal

State of Kentucky S. S.
Franklin County Court Oct 3^d 1865

A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jesse Brown dec^d was this day produced in Court and was

proved by the oaths of Thomas Farmer & B. A. Hawkins
the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be
recorded which is truly done

A. H. Rinnick cpl

J. Scanland

In the name of God Amen. I John Scanland of the
county of Franklin and State of Kentucky being of lawful
age and of sound mind having the fear of death constantly
before me do make this my last will and testament viz
After all my debts and funeral expences are paid I give
and bequeath to my wife Amanda Scanland all my real
and personal estate consisting of horses cattle hogs and all
stock farming utensils of whatsoever sort or kind that is
upon that I reside upon also the land upon which I
now live together with all the appertinances thereunto
attached during her natural life or during her widowhood
If my wife should marry again I desire that after my
children viz C. A. G. John W. Sally J. Ann Mary and
Betty Miles are made equal to my son Byron & Scan-
land to whom I have heretofore given two hundred dol-
lars or that that I consent to be equal then I desire
that all the balance of my property both real & personal
should be equally divided between all my children Byron
& C. A. G. John W. Sally J. Ann Mary & Betty Miles
Scanland share and share alike

I further desire that the grave yard now the place
that is included by paling should always remain a
grave yard and never to be sold or used for any
other purpose. And I further appoint my wife
Amanda Scanland executrix and having fully
confidence in her integrity I also appoint Owen Stepp
as co-executor to settle my estate

Given under my hand this 17th day of October eighteen
hundred and sixty five

Witnesses

James B. Roberts
S. S. Roberts
A. J. Dickinson

John Scanland

Franklin County Court Nov 18, 1865

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of
John Scanland dec^d was produced in Court & proved
by the oaths of S. S. Roberts & A. J. Dickinson two sub-
scribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
which is done

A. H. Rinnick cpl

Franklin County Oct 31, 1851

The last will of James Neilam hereby revoking all other will
I do

1st I will and desire my just debts paid and hereby give
a lien on my estate therefor
2^d I will and grant to my dear wife Susan and
afflicted son Benjamin my home place or tract of land ~~with~~
to contain two hundred and fifty acres also all the cattle
horses hogs stock &c thereon at my death also all the farm-
ing utensils &c the household & kitchen furniture &c grain
of all kinds also my slave Nancy and her increase which
said tract of land stock utensils furniture grain and
slave are to be held used and managed by my said wife
as a means of support and maintenance of herself and
said Benjamin during their natural lives and as a
home for such of our children and grandchildren as she
may deem worthy thereof and should my said wife
marry then and in that event said Benjamin shall
have the right to claim and have and ample support
and maintenance during his life from the rents ~~and~~
or proceeds of said land or home place and hire of said
slave during his life. And at the death of my said
wife and son Benjamin I will and desire that said
tract of land or home place and slave be equally divided
among my children then living and if any be dead their
part or portion to pass to the heir or heirs of such dead child
3^d In consideration of duty and the special request of my
deceased brother William Neilam I will and bequeath to
my daughter Sidney B. Wilcox the sum of two thousand
dollars in cash or cash notes on solvent men and for
the like consideration I will and bequeath to my daugh-
ter Sarah C. Neilam the sum of one thousand dollars in
cash or good cash notes on solvent men the said sums
in all three thousand dollars thus given to my said
daughters respectively are not to be taken and considered
in the final distribution of my estate among my other
children as advancements but said legacies and given
as so much ~~due~~ ^{due} said Sidney and Sarah respectively
in right of their uncle said William
4th I have paid to my daughter Margaret R. Roberson
and for her use towards the building of her house repair
of farm &c the sum of seven hundred dollars this sum
of seven hundred dollars is to be considered as an ad-
vancement to her pro tanto and so taken and returned
in final distribution of my estate among my children
before and hereafter mentioned