

Agreeable to an Order of the Worshipful
Court of General Sessions bearing date
August Court 1810 Mr John Bryant and
Augustus Smirney Proceeded to the settle-
ment of the Accounts of the Adminis-
trators of Jacob Alfred Esq in the follow-
ing manner (to wit)

	£	s	d
Samuel Alfred and James Crestwell Administrators of the Estate of aforesaid To the Am- ount of the Sale of said Estate	202	4	0
To the amount of Cash Paid of the Purchase and said Lie- tenant	21	15	0
Amount	202	4	0

We your undersigned Commissioners after
telling and adjusting the accounts of the
administration of aforesaid Deceased that
there remains in the hands of the ad-
ministrators and Administrators of aforesaid
Estate a Balance of Cash

Four pounds Twelve Shillings Given and
our hands this 11th day of February 1811

The Worshipful Court of John Bryant
General Sessions } A. Smirney

The Administrators of the Estate of Jacob
Alfred Esq

By Cash paid to Charles Alfred Esq
Legatee as per Receipt 200 " "
By Cash paid to Mary Alfred 20 " "
By Cash paid to John Alfred 20 " "
By Cash paid to David Julius 20 " "
By Cash paid to Peyton Alfred 20 " "
By Cash paid to George Black as per Receipt 20 " "
By Cash paid Achilles Ballanger 10 " "
By the Allowance made the admin-
istrators and the administrators of the
said Estate for the whole of the
Services by them Rendered and
performed towards said Estate
to their said duty &c

Amount £ 117 " 12

10 November 28th 1812

This day settled with George Denny pay-
Master of the 26 Reg^t of the Kentucky
Militia the full amount of money from
Harris Bruce for the years 1808 & 1809 upon
settlement was \$90 and the money paid out to
William Wallace by order \$40 to Wm Hale \$4
Hendon Bruce \$8 Blalock \$5 \$6 Joseph
Wheelan \$8 John B. Hawkins \$2 and George
Denny for his services as Judge of the Court for
three years \$12 and his Commission \$9 the
whole amounting to \$90 no money received
from the hands of the Sheriff when this settle-
ment was made for the years 1810 & 1811

Wm Price Mayor

Canara County Sec.

I hereby certify that this
Settlement was exhibited into Court at our
January Term 1813 and ordered to be
recorded and the same is truly admitted to
be so

Teste
Benjamin Leitch

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On the morning I expected to leave home and could
it my duty to make a disposition of what prop-
erty I should and may possess at my death both
of a real and personal nature. It has been
customary at the meeting of a Will for persons
to say some thing both of their Religious belief
and worldly concerns. I have conform to the
Custom, as it is a time when I declare I
have no disposition to dissimulate but to
speak the truth as it appears to me I
have strong objections in my mind
to the Jewish, Christian, Mahometan and
pagan modes of religion. These objections
are serious and important to me after more
than twenty years study and application
to know the truth: however these objections
do not go to a rejection and a disbelief
of either of these systems of religion I
believe in god almighty yet I know
that little of him his works are great and his
favor exceeds the largest stretch of my
of my laboring thoughts. I believe or
rather hope I shall have a future existence

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but if this I have for some years at times
had a gloomy doubt. Virtue should be the
great point at which all reasonable creat-
ures should aim and humbly trust in God
the great creator and director of the laws
of nature and providence and, these
points on which the more I search and
the more I see my experience how little
can be known. Men are so vain and so
who seldom understand themselves and
instruct others. The laws of the state are
law and imperfect and still worse
administered but scarce know a point
in which more Justice appears than in
the distribution of ~~state~~ state estates but
as circumstances are often a sufficient
ground to vary the operations of a general
law so as my case and the reason of my
making a will I need not say I wish
my just Debt to be paid I know they will
be paid and I more strongly wish that no
(more)

more may be paid than I do justly owe and
which I hope due care will be taken I so
much as desire that as much of my Wilderness
land may be sold as will pay all legal and
just demands against my estate I desire
that my wife Patience and my children may
enjoy my estate in the following manner
To wit that my wife for herself and the benefit
of my infant children may hold and enjoy
all that part of the tract of land that I live
on which lies within the following bounds beg-
ing at the N.E. corner of a small piece of ground
I thought of Lewis Craig this corner will be
found not far from the Cabin the Mill
and Sutherland's new land and about an acre
course thence down the stream that leads
from the corner to the road that leads from
Camp Lane to my house where the branch
runs into the creek and being the place where
the road crosses the creek another acre or more
in on the opposite side of the creek then
up that stream to the head of the same to the

same course continued to follow creek
 thence down the same to the line next to
 Shackelford thence with my line round
 to the Beginning including the Peach Orchard
 and where further land may lie to the
 Beginning during her natural life or until
 she dies and also all my lands and stock
 except what may be judged proper to sell
 of the stock immediately after my death
 In case my wife should see cause to
 marry and prefer the following to her things
 I desire ^{that} she may have ~~all~~ ^{and} her two
 children. Adam and Alice and one hundred
 acres of the land I live on not including
 the before mentioned tract and the choice
 of my Brude Mary and Alice and furni-
 ture to be hers forever in lieu of her things
 her life I do most earnestly desire that
 my children may have a liberal education
 that

that no pains be spared to accomplish
 this my great wish I have given
 unto my son Joseph Ble and two hundred
 acres of land in Union County I wish him
 to have three hundred more layed off
 all round the two hundred making five
 hundred I leave him the young Bay horse
 which I have now delivered to him I desire
 that my son Mary may have the mare W
 coll called by one that as soon as his time
 is out with W. W. Winder that five hundred
 Dollars be laid out to purchase tires and
 press for him to set up for himself and that
 he be charged with it out of his part of my estate
 I wish what I have stated above to be con-
 sidered all those I intend for my son
 Joseph I have some hope that my Grand
 Craig will consider the solemn promises
 he has made to me for Joseph. I
 wish my children to enjoy their propertie
 out of my estate as they come of age in case
 my wife should marry and that except

they all enjoy equal proportions; in case
in case she should not marry then at her
death to be divided equally as above in
case of their coming of age (and her mar-
riage). I do appoint my wife Patience Pleas-
ant executrix and William Dinsley Jun.
and my son, Mary Pleasance executors to
this my only Will and that their Powers
be liberally construed In case any
question should arise about the Powers
of my executrix and executors I wish
a question to be made of it before the
County court or court having Juris-
diction and upon the most liberal construc-
tion of my intention to make an Order
authorizing them to act for the Benefit
and advantage of my wife and children
published in presence of

Bth Letcher H. P. Buford William D. Pleasance
Samuel Gill James M. Hiffes

Janard County, Va.
I hereby certify that this
Last Will and Testament of Mrs. M. Pleasance
Dec^d was produced at August County
court 1841 before said County, proved
by the Oath of Samuel Gill and Benj.
Letcher and Ordered to be recorded
and the same is truly admitted to record

Test Benj. Letcher Clerk

In the name of god Amen I
John Hurd being weak of body but
of perfect mind and memory do make
this my last will and testament
Knowing that it is appointed for all
men once to die, in the first place I Re-
commend my soul into the hands of god who
gave it my body I Recommend to the earth
from whence it came to be buried in
christian like manner at the direction