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 John B. T. 33 in 14 no 1/2
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John A. Stephens & Co.

In the name of God Amen, I John Gray of the County of
Bedford in the State of Virginia being Weak in body but of
sound memory Thanks be to god do make this my last
Will & Testament; After my Debts are paid I leave to my
beloved wife my Negro Girl Fanny, my Negro boy George
my Negro Boy Benson and my Negro Girl Diner ^{her}

504 her life I give to my Wife her Choice of Beds
and the woman's saddle. I am I give to my four
Youngest Children (Viz) Mary Gray, Rhoda Gray,
John Putnam Gray, and Burdett Gray two pounds
a piece, my Will is that my Negro Man Dancy have
his freedom given him at Christmas One thousand
Seven hundred and Ninety five and till that time
I desire his Labour may be apply'd in the following
manner (Viz) My Son Putnam Gray to have half
his Labour till the Christmas Ninety to maintain him
the other half and his whole Labour to be apply'd to
raising my son Burdett Gray till the time of his
freedom One thousand Seven hundred and Ninety five
After my Will is that all the rest of my Negroes
be equally divided amongst my nine Children (Viz)
William James, Thomas Obad Alexander, Mary, Rhoda, John
Putnam, & Burdett, but if either of my Children die
without issue his or their parts be divided amongst
the survivors. I am the Negroes lent to my wife and
their increase after her death be divided amongst
my nine Children as the above Negroes not married are
directed to be divided. I am the Crop of Tobacco now on

directed to be done. The Crop of Tobacco now
growing I desire may be divided in five Parts and my
Son Thomas & Alexander have each a Part all the
Remainder of my state be equally divided amongst
my three other Children. I appoint my Son William Gray
my whole Executor of this my last Will and Testament
Sheweth I have hereunto signed my hand
this 3 day July One thousand seven hundred Eighty &
five Signed Sealed & Published in the presence of us

Concl. Noell
Sally Noell

John Gray

At a Court held for Bedford County the 28th day of
March 1786 This last Will & Testament of John
Gray deceased was proved by the Oaths of Cornelius
Noell & Sally Noell Witnesses thereto & Ordered to be
recorded. And at a Court held for said County the 23^d
day of October 1786. On the Motion of William Gray the
Executor hereunto named who made Oath according to

my whole Executor of this my last Will in Witness
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal
this 3 day July One thousand seven hundred eighty &
five Signed Sealed & Published in the presence of as
Coral Noell John Gray
Sally Noell

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recorded. And at a Court held for said County the 23rd
day of October 1786. On the Motion of William Gray the
Executor here named who made Oath according to
Law Certificate is granted for obtaining Probate
thereof in due form an giving Security. Whereupon the
said William Gray together with Cornelius Noell &
Charles

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Charles Guathken his Securities entered into and
acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Three
thousand Dollars for the due & faithful Administration
of the said Decedent's Estate and Performance of his will
Teste Jan 1870

In the name of God amen I Richard Woodward
of Bedford County being with in body but of sound Memory, before
the God I do this day the twenty fourth of January in the year
of our Lord God One thousand seven hundred and seventy eight
make and publish this my last Will and Testament in
the following words I do hereby give and bequeath to be paid
to my wife Elizabeth Woodward my whole
estate during her widowhood but if she marry she shall have
one third part of my Estate which I left. Then I give and
bequeath to my Son George Woodward my whole Estate
and I wish my wife friends as at her Death her share to
be returned to my Son George Woodward My Estate part