

and there being no subscribing witnesses, W^m M. Cabell, and John A. Twyman were sworn and severally deposed that they are well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Francis A. Wright, do and verily believe that the said will and the signature thereto subscribed are wholly in the handwriting of the said Francis A. Wright, do whereupon the same is ordered to be recorded as the true last will and Testament of the said Francis A. Wright, do
Done, P. H. Forbes C. B. C.

I Richard H. Gilliam being of sound mind but in feeble health do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, (hereby revoking all former wills made by me) in form and manner following to wit:

Item 1st It is my will that my funeral & burial expenses be first paid out of my estate.

2^d It is my will that my Executors & Executor (herein after named) may sell such personal property as may be best spared from the family or house or crop and out of the proceeds pay my debts if any.

3^d It is my will that my wife Betty R. Gilliam remain in full and quiet possession of all of my household & kitchen furniture plantation tools wagons carts and carriage two milk cows & calves two horses and one yoke of oxen during her natural life or widowhood.

It is my will that after the death of my wife or at such time as she may think proper to give up her interest in my estate that all the perishable property be sold and the proceeds of sale applied to the debts I owe to my son R. H. Gilliam & that should be

insufficient to pay the debt (without interest) I make the legue tract of land of nine hundred acres around my mill during his life to be rented out until the principle debt be paid (without interest) after the debt is paid to my son R. H. Williams I make the said tract of land being the one on which I live, be divided equally as to quantity & quality between my two sons R. H. Williams & Floyd H. Williams.

It being my will and desire that all ~~my~~ children should share equally in a final division of my estate my Executrix and executor, is hereby authorized and empowered to require any one of my children who may have received a greater share by advances made, as will show by an account kept by myself, that such child shall pay back such excess, so that all may share and share alike in the final division of my estate.

Inasmuch as my children are of full age and having the utmost confidence in my Executrix & Executor they may settle, or sell or divide, as they may think proper (all agreeing) any or all of the property left to either of them.

It is my will that the tract of land known as the Good Mine tract (or ninety acres of which) shall be held jointly by my three sons to be worked or sold as they think best at any time, and ten acres around the Mill including the Mill dam & appurtenances thereto belonging shall be turned over by my Executrix & Executor to my son William E. Williams for the sole use and benefit of him and his wife and children.

Given under my hands and seal this the 18th day of January 1886.

R. H. Williams (S)

therein belonging shall be turned over by my Executors & Executor to my son William E. Gilliam for the sole use and benefit of him and his wife and children.

Given under my hands and seal this the 18th day of January 1886.

R. H. Gilliam

August 1st 1886.

Since the above will was made many changes have taken place, the greatest being with my son W. E. Gilliam. I had made to him more advances in stock provisions & money than I had to Lee & Floyd, consequently he was in debt to me considerably - But has paid off his debt to me in various ways. And owing to my inability to attend & keep my mill in repair he (my son William) having gone to considerable expense in repairs of said mill & the dam I have given the said grist & saw mill to him with all the appurtenances thereto belonging together with lands on which it is situated, running along W^{est} & Pennington line to Spring Branch & up said branch above the house in which Mr. Childress now lives and then turning back about a south corner to the south end of the Mill dam supposed to be thirty acres more or less, and should I fail to make him a deed I wish my representatives to convey the said land Mills, to his trustee for the benefit of his wife & children. He having nothing to pay back on yr. of advances made by & stands equal with the other two brothers.

Given under my hand & seal this 1st August 1886.

R. H. Gilliam

At a County Court held for Buckingham County, February 8th 1892
This paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
Richard H. Gilliam, dec^d together with a codicil thereto, was this day
produced in Court, and there being no subscribing witnesses to the said
Will or codicil, W^m M. Cabell and W. E. M^c Craw were sworn and
separately deposed that they are well acquainted with the handwriting
of the said Richard H. Gilliam, dec^d and verily believe that the said
Will and codicil and the signature thereto subscribed are wholly in
the handwriting of the said Richard H. Gilliam, dec^d whereupon the same
are ordered to be recorded as the true last Will and Testament and codicil
thereto of the said Richard H. Gilliam, dec^d. And there being no Executor
named in said Will, on the motion of Richard Lee Gilliam who made
oath as the law directs and with James H. Lewis and W. E. M^c Craw,
his securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty
of Five Hundred Dollars, conditioned according to law, securities
sworn to justify, certificate is granted this said Richard Lee Gilliam
for obtaining Letters of Administration on the estate of the said
Richard H. Gilliam, dec^d with his said Will and codicil annexed
in due force.

Teste, P. A. Forbes, Clerk.

We the undersigned Appraisers appointed by the County Court
of Buckingham at the February Term 1892 to appraise the estate of
Col. R. H. Gilliam, dec^d after first being duly sworn according to law we
have this the 10th February 1892 met at the late residence of the
R. H. Gilliam, dec^d and valued the following property, to wit: