

my Glass, I would he die before that time I give my watch to my other son. I wish
my Mother tho' I mean to keep my watch for my son until he arrives at that age.
4th I leave J. C. Baytop's my executor
Witness
Emily Cullen

Re H. C. C. C. C.

Geo H. Adams

At a Court held for Worcester County at the Court House on Monday the 3rd
day of June 1867. This last will and testament was produced in Court, proved
by the oath of Re H. C. C. C. and Geo H. Adams, the authentic trusts subscribed and
by the Court adjudged to be executed and is recorded.

Teste Jm R. Carr Cl. Cur.

Copy of
Wm S. Thurston
Will

I Wm S. Thurston of the County of Mathews in the State of Virginia do make
publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all
wills heretofore made by me. First - I devise that my executor hereinafter named
shall pay all my just debts as speedily as possible after my decease and close all acc-
counts due to my estate, but feeling that I am indebted to many persons who owe me
for numerous acts of kindness. I do not wish that they shall be pressed for the money
due from them to my estate until they have had reasonable time allowed to them in
which to make payment. Secondly - I devise my said executor to make sale of my real
estate in the County of Mathews on such terms as may seem to him most advantageous.
Thirdly - I leave to my Brother Edward S. Thurston so long as he may live all the lands in the
County of Worcester devised to me by my father and at the death of my said brother I wish
and hereby direct my said executor to make sale of the lands on such terms as may seem to
him most advantageous and divide the proceeds of the sale thereof among the children of
my said brother Edward S. Thurston, who may survive him and the descendants of any

second child or children, the descendants of such deceased child to take the
 same portions thereof as its parent if living would be entitled to. Fourthly I lend
 to my brother Edward T. Thurston as long as he may live all the negro slaves to which
 I am entitled under the will of my father (except a girl called the daughter of
 Worman Sally) and my two sons Tom & Jim and at the death of my said brother
 I give and bequeath to his children who may survive him and the descendants of
 any deceased child such descendants to take such portions thereof as the parent if
 living would be entitled to: all the said negro slaves so lent to him and said
 Tom & Jim with all their increase. Fifthly I lend to my brother Edward T.
 Thurston as long as he may live all my interest in the balance of the property
 which I now have on the Lansdowne estate in the County of Worcester except the
 crop of wheat and at his death I give and bequeath the said property & so much
 thereof as there may be remaining to his children as herein before mentioned in
 the fourth clause of my will Sixthly. I lend to my brother Edward T. Thurston
 as long as he may live my servant John and request if of him to treat him
 kindly in consideration of his faithful service to me and at the death of my said
 brother I wish my said man John to pass in the manner directed in the fourth
 clause of my will earnestly requesting those to whom he may come to deal kindly
 and leniently by him and in the event that my said servant John should be unwilling
 or refuse to go to Worcester to live I hereby direct my executor to sell him
 privately in Mathews County so that he may have a good home and be kindly treated
 the proceeds of such sale to be disposed of by my executor in the same manner as
 my other servants mentioned in the fourth clause of my will
 Seventhly. I wish all the above property both real & personal devised and bequeathed to
 my said brother Edward T. Thurston to be held by him in Trust and controlled and
 managed by him for the mutual support of himself and wife and the support and

Seventhly. I wish all the above property both real & personal, demand and bequeathed to my said brother Edward T. Thurston to be held by him in trust and controlled and managed by him for the mutual support of himself and wife and the support and education of his children, the profits annually arising therefrom to be used by him for that purpose, but not further to be subject to any contracts entered into or liabilities incurred by him and I enjoin on my said brother as my last request, that he will exercise the utmost prudence and economy in the management of the property herein left to him as aforesaid and give to his children.

Eighthly. Should any of the aforesaid herein bequeathed to my said brother Edward T. Thurston as aforesaid behave improperly or be unwinnable, my said executor is hereby authorized in his discretion to sell any of the said bequest and invest the proceeds of such sale in the purchase of other bequest said bequest so purchased to be held and pass in the same manner as my other bequest herein before provided.

Ninthly — I give and bequeath to my said brother Edward T. Thurston the crop of wheat now growing on the Lansdowne estate and my gold watch. Tenthly — I give and bequeath to John W. Battell as trustee the sum of One Thousand dollars to be held by him in trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my niece Fannie Waller, the wife of Charles C. Waller and her children, so that the same shall not be in any way liable for any debt contract or engagement of her said husband.

Eleventhly. I desire the sum of One Thousand dollars to be by my executor invested in the purchase of State or bank Stocks as in discretion he may deem most advisable for the sole and separate use and benefit of my niece Sally B. Nelson wife of S. William Nelson and her children, so that the same shall not in any way be liable for any debt contract or engagement of her said husband. the dividends or profits annually or semiannually arising therefrom to be used by her for her support and the education of her children and at her death I desire said Stocks to be equally divided among her children or such of them as may remain for

Secondly. I give and bequeath to each of the four children of my late sister Mary C. Sinclair and the sum of five hundred dollars to be applied to their maintenance and education respectively and in the event either or any of the said children of my said sister Mary C. Sinclair shall die before marriage or attaining twenty one year of age then I give the portion or share of the child or children so dying to the survivor or survivors of them and if all of the said children of my said sister Mary C. Sinclair shall happen to die before marriage or attaining twenty one year of age then I give & bequeath the whole of the said several sums of money herein bequeathed to them or so much thereof as there may remain unexpended in their maintenance and education as aforesaid to my sister Sarah M. Rose to be held and enjoyed by her as a part of the residue of my estate and I hereby request my executor to retain the said sums of money in his hands as trustee for the support and education of the said children as aforesaid and in the event of his unwillingness to do so I hereby request the County Court of Gloucester County to appoint a suitable trustee for that purpose.

Thirdly. I give and bequeath to my sister Sarah M. Rose wife of John N. Rose the negro girl Violet daughter of Sally mentioned in the fourth Clause of my will to be held by her for her sole & separate use and benefit during her life and not to be liable to any contract debt or engagement of her husband the said John N. Rose and at her death I give the said girl Violet to her children who may survive her and the descendants of any deceased child or children.

Fourthly. I desire that the residue of my estate shall be by my executor invested in the purchase of such State or bank stocks or other permanent investments as he may deem most advantageous and I give and bequeath to my sister Sarah M. Rose wife of John N. Rose during her natural life the interest dividends or profits arising therefrom for the sole and separate use and benefit of herself and her children the same not to be in any way liable for any debt contract or engagement of her

of John M Rose during his natural life the entire dividends & profits arising therefrom for the sole and separate use and benefit of herself and her children the same not to be in any way liable for any debt contract or engagement of her said husband and at the death of my said sister I give and bequeath the said stock to such of her children as may survive her and the descendants of any deceased child such descendants to take such a portion thereof as their parent if living would be entitled to. Fifthly — I earnestly request my brother Edward J Thornton and children to treat with the utmost kindness my woman Sally and her children bequeathed to me by my father in consideration of her faithful service to him and to furnish her with a good and comfortable home. Sincerely — I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Wm Shann Kemp executor of this my last will & testament and I hereby direct that my said executor shall not be required to give security for the faithful performance of the duties of his said office and it is my will and desire that my said executor shall not be chargeable with or accountable for more of my estate than shall come in his hands by virtue of this my will or for any loss which shall happen to my estate, no such loss happen without his wilful default. I wish my body to be interred at Timbuctoo the residence of John W B. Catlett Esq in the County of Gloucester and I hope and expect that my brother Edward J Thornton will at his own expense cause a slab similar to that on my father's grave to be erected in commemoration of me and have my name inscribed thereon. I bequeath to my brother Edward J Thornton all my interest in the crop of Corn now in hand on the Landover estate, but I wish him to pay all the expenses that may be now due for the cultivation of said estate. I wish my sister Sarah M Rose to have have all my jewelry except my gold watch in testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my this 8th day of Feb'y 1861

W. J. Thornton

Eliza

Signed sealed published and declared
by the said W^m S. Thurstons as and for his
last will and testament in presence of us
who in the presence of each other have subscribed
our names unto as witnesses "the words" and said Tom & John being entreated
Francis Amistead

J. B. Bowman

Alex. Merchant

At a Quarterly Court held for the County of Matthews
on Wednesday the 11th day of March 1861. This last will and testament of W^m S.
Thurstons dec^d was this day proved in open Court by the oaths of Francis Amistead
John B. Bowman & Alexander Merchants the subscribing Witnesses to the same
and was thereupon adjudged to be recorded.

Teste Richard G. Miller C. C.

Attest

Teste W^m H. Miller D. C.

At a Court held for Gloucester County at the Court House on Monday the
1st day of July 1867. This Copy of the last will and testament of W^m S. Thurstons dec^d
attested by W^m H. Miller deputy Clerk of the County Court of Matthews County was pro-
duced in Court and the Original and Record thereof having been destroyed by
fire in the City of Richmond the same was on the application of Edward J. Thurstons
admitted to record in this Court.

Teste W^m R. Carey cl. Cur.

Edwin Telephus In the name of God 'Amen' Praying of Sound Mind I Edwin Telephus