

October Court 1791

1871

At a Court held for Halifax County the 24 day of October 1791

The within written Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of John Gunter, was Returned in to Court and was Ordered to be Read and

Examined

Truly Read

John Geo Carrington Clerk

Test Will Thompson &c &c

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Younger of Halifax County in Virginia being in perfect health of Body and of perfect mind and memory thank be given unto God calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be Buried in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form vizt I give and bequeath unto Susanna my beloved daughter the half of the land on which I now dwell together with the plantation Buildings Orchards, and all improvements. for her use and benefit during her natural life also a negro girl named Nell two feather Beds and Furniture, the choice of two cows and Cates also three young Steers each a year older than the other and such necessary household furniture as is needfull to house keeping. Secondly I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Samuel the other half of the Land on which I now dwell to be divided from Eight Line northward by a direct line to my back line southward which division I intend ^{to make} in my life time to have and to hold to his proper use and benefit during his natural life. and then to his male heirs lawfully begotten

Thomas Younger
Will

can be done without give them his help to amount to his father James
 Younger and his wife and my daughter Susanna's half after her
 death and in case my son Samuel have no issue as aforesaid to
 descend to my son John Younger and his heirs male Satisfying legation
 of his wife Helen I give and bequeath unto my daughter Susanna and
 my son Samuel each a mare or horse, let for Plantation Bussings
 at their choice and to my son Samuel my Bridle and Saddle and chose
 to be at his own disposal I give for myself the said Dr. Coy's Wages
 of my two years and the Land I bought of Dodson and his wife, also a cow
 and calf as also a pother Bed and furniture Item to my beloved son
 James Younger I give and bequeath the sum of twenty pounds current
 money of Virginia to be paid out of my Effects by my Executor but
 in case he fall heir according to the preceding clause in my will
 then this legacy to be void and to be divided among the survivors
 Helen I give and bequeath unto my son John Younger if he will make
 a demand thereof the sum of twenty pounds current money of Virginia
 and on the same condition as mentioned above Helen I give and bequeath
 unto my son Thomas Younger if he will make a demand thereof the
 sum of two pounds current money of Virginia Helen I give and bequeath
 unto my daughter Mary Ireland if she will demand it the sum of four pounds
 as aforesaid Helen I give and bequeath unto my son John Younger the sum of
 twenty pounds current money of Virginia Helen I give and bequeath unto
 my son William Younger my work Bench and Bench tools commonly
 called Joiners tools my Sather and turners tools and whetstone
 Helen I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Elizabeth the sum of
 twenty pounds current money of Virginia Helen I give and bequeath unto
 my son William Younger the sum of twenty four pounds each half
 money of Virginia and in case either of the four that are now single
 and live with me should die without give them their part to
 be equally divided among the survivors namely of them four that
 is now to the last of them and I do by these presents constitute and
 appoint my son Samuel and my daughter Susanna joint
 Executors and Administrators of this my last will and testament

in the demand of any of the Legacies here named and in case of sickness
 and my Executor and Administrators not fit to see my negro lad Peter
 and my wife and mine further is that they namely the Executor and
 Administrators give no security a Counsel all my business and that there be
 no such thing as going to law one with another but if a disagreement
 or misundrstanding arise to conclude it peacefully among them
 others or at least to get some honest and disinterested men to arbitrate the
 difference for them and if any of them will not be content with this
 but would needs go to Law my will is that such person be disquali-
 fied of the benefit of the Statute that was left them my will and
 desire also is that my four daughter last mentioned that are now single with
 me should live altogether with my daughter Susanna and my son
 Samuel until they are married and I bid them all to live in peace
 and love and to keep good orders among themselves Further my will and
 meaning is that such things as I have willed to my daughter Susanna
 shall my the Land in her dower shall descend to the next Eldest
 of the four single Daughters now living with me provided she be single
 otherwise to the Eldest that shall be single during the time she is
 single also that my Account or their Receipt shall stand good against
 any of the Legacies left to any of my children only what I have bequeath
 of some or any of them Estates I lend it them during their life
 and their Children after them And I do hereby Ratify and confirm
 this and no other to be my last Will and testament In Witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the second day of
 May One thousand seven hundred and Eighty nine
 Signed Sealed published pronounced
 and declared by the said Thomas
 Younger as his last will and testament
 in the presence of four who in his
 presence and in the presence of
 each other have hereunto subscribed
 their names

Thomas Younger

At a Court held for Halifax County the 24th day of October 1791
 The within written Last Will and Testament of Thomas Younger
 was Exhibited into Court and proved by the Oaths of two Witnesses
 The said Subscribed to be the act and Will of the said Thomas and was
 Ordered to be Recorded And on the motion of Samuel Younger
 and Susanna Younger the Executors named in
 the said Will who made Oaths according to Law Certificate
 for obtaining a Testate of the said Estate was granted them in due
 form they giving Bond and security hereupon they together with
 with John Younger and Edward Bonar their securities entered
 into and Acknowledged Bond for that purpose according to Law

Examined

Truly Recorded

Per

Wills Thompson R. M.

Ashe Co. Carrington W.

Branson's Will Halifax County Octbr 7th 1791

Ap'd by Court

In Sheweth to an Order of our Court

Being hereby advertised to lay of and appraise unto said Branson's Will
 of Isaac Branson And One third part of the 1st Dead Estate both real and
 personal, being accordingly met on the premises and layed of and allotted
 unto the said said one third part of the part of said Branson's Will
 Isaac said wife and heirs and assigns and assigns as follows to wit
 Beginning at a diagonal corner of David and James Bransons and
 Samuel Johnsons Since then a long the said Johnsons line with
 the same with their chain to a black oak on the South East

a short thirteen chains to a black and sugar tree on the East side of
 the River thence north westerly five degrees East forty seven chain to the
 first station containing thirty five acres to the same more or less
 we have also layed of and allotted unto the said said one third part
 of the personal Estate including the following Negroes Slaves of all kinds
 Household furniture &c

to wit

- One negro woman Bessie and child B. M. W.
- One boy named Blake
- Two head Cattle
- Ten head hogs
- 1 set furber and sundries small articles
- 1 Chest and two Chairs
- 1 Old Case a line and a Box &c
- 1 new Cotton wheel and sundries
- 1 Dutch Oven with sundries tools
- 1 fish tub 3 1/2 hoghead and tub 9
- 5 head sheep a 8 cart
- 11 pounds of Wax 1/2 8 3/4 Wool 7
- 4 pounds Cotton in the said
- 1 Bridle
- 1 Bed and furniture

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One negro woman Bessie and child B. M. W.	80		
One boy named Blake	12		
Two head Cattle	3	15	
Ten head hogs	5		
1 set furber and sundries small articles		17	
1 Chest and two Chairs	1	4	
1 Old Case a line and a Box &c	1	5	
1 new Cotton wheel and sundries		17	6
1 Dutch Oven with sundries tools	2	6	
1 fish tub 3 1/2 hoghead and tub 9		12	
5 head sheep a 8 cart	2		
11 pounds of Wax 1/2 8 3/4 Wool 7		18	
4 pounds Cotton in the said		1	4
1 Bridle		3	6
1 Bed and furniture	10		
	£ 100	19	4

after the said said the paying Back to the
 Appraisers L. 6 8

Which said thirty five Acres of Land including the manor there
 and Consignment out houses together with the two negroes more Cattle
 sheep and stock aforesaid together with all the furniture and
 personal articles &c we do assign over to the said said Isaac
 and Admitt to the said Isaac Branson and after having paid him
 in full satisfaction of the same against to the same intent and