

of the name of John Henry Thompson of the County of Monmouth
State of Virginia being at present in his health with a sound mind and
memory to make and confirm this assignment of writing as and for my
last will and Testament.

My will and desire is that my real and personal estate of whatever
kind, quality or condition be sold at my death except where I shall here-
inafter specially direct.

My will and desire is that my just debt be paid I give bequeath
give devise and sell my excellent and beloved wife Martha Maria Blake
to her her heirs and assigns forever six thousand dollars more or less
from the sale of my real and personal estate. I also give bequeath and
devise unto her her heirs and assigns forever one negro boy named
Childa Swann who at this time about twenty two months old. I also give
and bequeath unto my excellent and beloved wife her heirs and assigns
the following articles of household furniture, one bed and bedstead
with all its furniture, one black walnut wash and dressing stand with
its glass one spring bottomed lounge, looking glass two, one making
the other Curtis needle, and a Curtis stand.

I give bequeath and devise unto my daughter Elizabeth Barbara
Blake one negro woman named Sally with her furniture and clothes.

After the foregoing objects as specified in this my Testament are
accomplished whatever surplus or sum shall then remain be my will

and desire it that such Surveys or enclosures be equally divided
among all my Grand Children living at my death, namely the Chil-
dren of my Son Nathan B. Clarke, John W. Clarke, P. H. Clarke, and Thomas
A. Clarke.

And I also nominate, constitute and appoint my aforesaid wife, who
and she executes of this my Testament and last will, desiring that she
may not be Compelled to give Security for the performance of the same.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey this thirty first day of December
in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six
acknowledges in Our presence

Thomas G. Clarke

At a Circuit Court Courtroom and held at Warren South Jersey on Tuesday
the 17th of March 1857

This writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of the
G. Clarke deceased was offered for proof and then being read and subscribed and
signed by Thomas B. Dally, W. Talley and William O. Hunsicker were sworn and
examined who declare that they are well acquainted with the hand
writing of the said Thomas G. Clarke and that they have examined the
writing and believe the same to have been wholly and entirely sub-
scribed by him. Whereupon on the motion of the said W. Talley the Court
ordered that the same be admitted to probate and that the said last will and
Testament be admitted to probate.