THE WILL OF JOHN VALENTINE.

In the name of God, Amen. I, John Valentine, of the county of Isle of Wight, planter, being sick and weak in Body yet perfect in sense and memory do make this my last will and Testament in form as followeth, May the eighth, 1652: Imprimis. I bequeath my soul unto the hands of Almighty all the aforesa premises I have hereunto set my hand the day and year aforesaid.

JOHN X VALENTINE.

Signed, sealed, subscribed and delivered in the presence of, Will Weshay, Nicholas Nethercoat.

NOTE BY R. S. T.—The last Valentine I knew was Mr. E. H. Valentine, who left here and went, I think, to Richmond

about 1854 or 1855. He speaks of his friend John Marshall. Will Book No. 2 is an exceedingly important book of 663 pages of Wills, and eighty-three pages of Deeds. In this book there is a will of a John Marshall, of October 4, 1687. In it he speaks of his son Humphrey, his daughter Mary, his wife and his brother Humphrey Marshall. John Marshall on June 6, 1667, sold a tract of land to William West, and in the will of William West, of February 7, 1708-9, this John Marshall is

spoken of as John Marshall the elder. These will show that there was more intercourse between Isle of Wight and the Northern Neck than had been supposed, and the above names may be of some value to that branch, and to the Marshalls of Kentucky. (See I Henn., pp. 274 and 427).