

At the County Court of Tipton County held at the Courthouse in Covington on the first Monday of June 1862.

Present: J. W. Owen, J. W. Malone, W. E. Edmonson Justices

This day R. H. Munford and Thomas S. Lauderdale presented a paper writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of George Bragg, lately a citizen of this County deceased, and thereupon appeared in open court Stephen C. Kent and John D. N. Lauderdale two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being first sworn deposed and say, that the said George Bragg signed and acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament - and that they subscribed the same as witnesses in his presence and at his request, and that the said Will and Testament was of sound and disposing mind and memory. Thereupon it is ordered and adjudged by the Court that said Will is proved; and is approved and ordered to be recorded and certificate of probat granted. Which said Will is in the words and figures following to wit.

I George Bragg of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee, being of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding, wishing to make provision for the disposition of my Estate, do for that purpose, make Ordain and publish this my last Will and Testament, in Manner and form following, hereby revoking, amending, and Making Void all other Wills by me heretofore made.

In the first place, I wish my executors hereinafter named and appointed, as soon as practicable after my death to pay off and discharge all my just debts, and funeral expenses out of the first money that may come to their hands or possession belonging to my estate.

Secondly: To my nephew John Perry of the town of Manchester State of Virginia I give and bequeath four hundred and sixty acres part of my thousand acre tract of land known as the Hob Water tract, lying about six miles in a North West direction from the town of Williamsburg in said State of Virginia. The said four hundred and sixty acres to be laid off to my said nephew in the North end of said thousand acre tract, by running a line east and west through it to have and to hold to the said John Perry his heirs or assigns forever.

Thirdly: I wish and direct all debts due or owing to me to be collected as soon as practicable or convenient after my death; and all of my property in the State of Tennessee of every kind and description left

Real and personal of which I may die deoys and profyed to be sold by my Executors at publick sale. The personal property on a credit of twelve Months; and the land in two equal payments, on one and two years Credit, good security to be required of purchasers and a lawn to be retained on the land to secure the payment of the purchase money. Should I die in the early part of the year before preparations are made, or a crop planted, then I wish said sale to be made as soon thereafter as suitable, but if the crops should be planted, then not until toward the close of the year or until it is made and secured or prepared for market or sale. The proceeds of all said sales together with all other of my moneys or effects of every kind and description whatever, not herein before disposed of, I give and bequeath, and direct to be equally divided by my Executors between my Nieces and Nephews herein after named. Viz. Patsy Turner, Archibald Turner, Judith Turner, Angelina Turner, and James Turner the children of my deceased Sister Mary Turner; or to such of my said Nieces and Nephews above named as may be living at the time said division is made or takes place, and should either of my said Nieces or Nephews die before the time of making said division leaving at that time living legal bodesly issue or children, in that event such child or children to have and receive the portion that the said deceased parent would have been entitled to if living. I also wish and direct that all debts due or owing to me, Money, Notes, or other effects, and all land or real estate owned by me in the State of Virginia (except the tract of 460 acres of land herein before bequeath to my Nephew John Perry) shall also be equally divided in the same manner and upon the same conditions as herein before stated, between my Nieces and Nephews the children of my said deceased Sister Mary Turner.

The bequest herein before made to my said Nieces and Nephews and Money or property given to them to be held by them on the conditions and subject to the following named trust, and limitation; that is to say, my said Nieces and Nephews or their children including the within named John Perry are to furnish their respective portion of the same or bear and supply equal amounts each in providing and furnishing to my brother William Bragg for and during his natural life, a good decent and comfortable support and maintenance, and to see that he is well taken care of and provided

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by my Executors between my Nieces and Nephews herein after  
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Mary Turner; or to such of my said Nieces and Nephews above named  
as may be living at the time said division is made or takes place,  
and should either of my said Nieces or Nephews die before the time  
of making said division leaving at that time living legal bodily issue  
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the portion that the said deceased parent would have been entitled  
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before stated, between my Nieces and Nephews the children of my  
said deceased Sister Mary Turner.

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viding and furnishing to my brother William Bragg for and during  
his natural life, a good decent and comfortable support and  
Maintenance, and to see that he is well taken care of and provided  
for in his old age, and should they at any time fail to take care  
of and provide for him as aforesaid, then he or any friend for  
him or my Executors may sue for recover and take possession  
of a sufficiency of the money or property herein given to my said  
Nieces and Nephews, to provide for him an ample and com-  
fortable support.

And Lastly: I do hereby nominate and appoint my friends  
Thomas L. Sanddale and Richard H. Trumper Executors of  
this my last will and testament and the things and rights

if necessary to employ some good and trusty agent or attorney in the state of Virginia to attend to selling or disposing of my land or other property I may own, and to the closing and settling up of any and all business in said State of Virginia in which I may be interested or connected with my estate.

In witness of which I do hereby subscribe my name and affix my seal this ninth day of January in the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty nine  
 Signed sealed and acknowledged by  
 the testator in our presence on the  
 day and year above named and at his  
 request in his presence and in the  
 presence of each other we witness the same

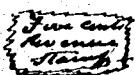
Hough Bragg *(Signature)*

John J. Douglas  
 Stephen E. Hart.  
 J. D. H. Lauderdale

And it appearing that said R. H. Munford and Thomas Lauderdale are in said will appointed executors thereof; and they having been sworn to perform said will and having given bond in the sum of seventy five thousand dollars with J. P. Hale, R. S. Barret, J. D. H. Lauderdale and J. S. Batterson their sureties conditioned for the performance of all the duties required of them by law. It is ordered that they be clothed with all the powers and charged with all the duties pertaining to the execution of said will.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the records of my office.  
 Witness my hand and seal of office this 30<sup>th</sup> day of Jan'y 1866

R. S. Barret Clerk



State of Tennessee Tipton County

I Isaac W. Owen Chairman or Presiding Justice of the County Court of said County (the same being a court of record) do certify that R. S. Barret who has given the within certificate as Clerk of said Court and whose genuine signature appears thereto, was at the time of signing the same the Clerk of our said Court duly qualified according to law

Wm. Bragg  
1889

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the testator in our presents on the  
day and year above named and at his  
request in his presence and in the  
presence of each other we witness the same

John T. Douglas  
Stephen E. Hart.  
J.D. H. Lauderdale

And it appearing that Said R. H. Trumford and Thomas S. Lauderdale  
are in said Will appointed Executors thereof; and they having been sworn to  
perform said Will and having given bond in the sum of Seventy five  
Thousand dollars with J. P. Hale, R. S. Barret, J. D. H. Lauderdale and J. S.  
Batheman their Sureties conditioned for the performance of all the duties  
required of them by law. It is Ordered that they be clothed with all the  
powers and charged with all the duties pertaining to the execution of said  
Will.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the records of my office.  
Witness my hand and seal of office this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 1866

R. S. Barret Clerk

State of Tennessee Sipson County

I Isaac W. Owen Chairman or Presiding Justice of the County  
Court of said County (The same being a Court of Record) do certify that R. S.  
Barret who has given the within certificate as Clerk of said Court and  
whose genuine signature appears thereto, was at the time of signing  
the same the Clerk of our said Court duly qualified according to law  
and that as such all of his official acts are entitled to full faith  
and confidence

Given under my hand and private seal (having no seal of office) this  
22<sup>nd</sup> January 1866

Isaac W. Owen Jr. Chairman

At a quarterly Court held for James City County at the Court house  
thereof in the City of Williamsburg On Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 1866

A duly certified copy of the Will of Wm. Bragg do. admitted  
to record in County Sipson State of Tennessee Was examined by the

Court. and it appearing that said copy is duly authenticated.  
It is ordered that the same be recorded.

Teste

Wm. G. Gerby, Esq.

In the Name of God a men I Jonathan Canaday of James City County being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament revoking all others heretofore by me made.  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> It is my wish for all my just debts to be paid and funeral expenses  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my wife Elizabeth my plantation on which I live during her life or widowhood and my perishable property of every kind and at her death it is my wish for my son Eli to have my plantation and my household property of every kind except one feather bed I give my daughter Frances I also wish for my daughter Frances to have a home on said land as long as she remains single or should become a widow and I also wish for my son Abraham to have a home on said land If at any time he should become bodily diseased and not able to procure a home

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 1863

Witnesses  
W. M. Spencer  
William L. Spencer

Jonathan Canaday —

At a Court held for the County of James City at the Courthouse there of in the City of Williamsburg On Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1863 A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jonathan Canaday bearing date on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 1863 Was this day presented to Court and fully proven by the Oaths of William L. Spencer and W. M. Spencer subscribing Witnesses thereto and thereupon the said writing Admitted on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 1863 Was ordered to be recorded as the last will and testament of Jonathan Canaday and On the motion of Elizabeth Canaday widow of the said Jonathan Canaday doth she is permitted to qualify as administrator with the Will annexed Whereupon she appeared in Court and took the Oath prescribed by law and together with Eli Canaday and John S. Canaday her securities (who justified on oath as to their sufficiency) entered