

My Will

J. James C. Crittenden of the County of King & Queen
& State of Va. do make, written with my own hand, my
last will or testament, as follows:-

- 1 My books must not be sold, but divided equally
among my children, & I request that they be kept by their
posterity.
- 2 I give to my daughter Lucy C. all of my State stock,
including registered bonds against the State of Va. and
certificates of indebtedness from the State of Virginia, to be
accounted for upon a final settlement with H. Va. all
of which was bought with my share of the proceeds
of the sale of the land inherited thro' her mother, from
her sister Mrs. F. A. Nunn died.
- 3 I give to my son Charles W. Four hundred & fifty dollars
(\$450) which was about the amount I paid D. F. Carr
who married my daughter Sarah C. The said sum to
be paid to my son Charles W. out of the proceeds
of the sale of my perishable property, & any other
claims except those before mentioned, or money I may
hold at my death. But if these are not sufficient to
pay just debts I may owe at my death & the said sum
to my son Charles W., then the residue must be made
up out of the proceeds of rent, or sale of my farm.
My children Charles W. & Sarah C. have no just claims
against me as Guardian & Receiver of the Court, evidence
of which is among my papers.
- 4 I will that my farm shall be sold as soon as prac-
ticable after my death, provided it can be sold with-
out too much sacrifice, say at least Twenty five
hundred dollars (\$2,500). It cost me \$3,500. But under
thus sold I desire it shall be rented to a good tenant
at a reasonable price who shall be required to enter
into the following obligations: To cultivate the
land well & only so much as comes in rotation, to
keep in order the fences, railing, paling & houses as far

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as a good Tenant ought to keep ^{them} in order, not to lay any field upon which a crop has been made the same year, except that 3 or 4 calves may be kept in a field upon which has grown the same year any small grain. Not more than 10 head of Cattle, & 15 head of (not including pigs) must be allowed to graze pasture any year. My young orchard must not be grazed till after the leaves drop in the fall, & then with a few cows or calves, & care must be taken to prevent the limbs of the trees being broken. No hog run in there, & if cultivated at all it must be in crops. The renter must be made to pay for any damage in the particulars referred to, but nothing unusual shall be required of him. I would prefer that my farm should be rented at a life price to one who has the confidence of the people as being Trustworthy. Until my farm is sold the nett proceeds of the rent must be equally divided among my children & after sold the nett proceeds of the sale to be divided among them. But my daughter Sarah's share of the rent must be paid to her, to aid in the support of herself & offspring, & after its sale her share of the nett proceeds must be placed in the hands of a trustee who shall pay to her annually the interest after deducting his Commission, till he can judiciously choose for her & her offspring some real estate as a permanent home.

5 The County Court may appoint an administrator or commissioner to carry out the provisions of this will who shall receive only the Commission allowed by law. I prefer that no lawyer shall have any to do with my estate.

6 My soul & body I resign into the hands of my only Father, trusting alone for salvation - for deliverance from all evil, & everlasting happiness in Heaven, in the atonement of His Son, my dear

Savior Jesus Christ. Given under my hand & seal the 13th day of November 1872.

James C. Crittenden ad

This Codicil also written with my own hand, on another sheet of paper the 6th of Jan'y 1873 makes the following change in the 4th Section of my last will dated 13th Nov. 1872: That if after a reasonable time \$2500 cant. be obtained for my farm, upon application of any one of my heirs to the County Court said Court may appoint Three suitable persons as Standing Commissioners to limit the price & determine when it is best to sell. Given under my hand & seal the 6th day of Jan'y. 1873

James C. Crittenden ad

(written on a sick bed)

In King & Queen County Court February 13th 1873
This writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of James C. Crittenden died, with a Codicil thereto annexed was produced in Court by Charles W. Crittenden and then being no subscribing witnesses, Lemuel Puttick and Wm J. Leigh were sworn and severally deposed, that they are well acquainted with the Testator's hand writing, and truly believe the said writings and the name thereto subscribed to be wholly written by the Testator's own hand Whereupon the said writings are ordered to be recorded, as the true last will and Testament of the said James C. Crittenden died;

Teste

Spencerwood Lind R.C

Truly recorded

Teste

B. F. Taylor Clerk

