

In King Ludin County, Great August 8  
 This last will and Testament of James  
 Ransom, was approved for probate and was  
 proved by the oaths of Alfred C. Carlton  
 and Walter Carlton, the subscribers with  
 oaths taken, and ordered to be recorded,

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J. K. Taylor M

Truly Recorded

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B. T. Taylor M

Part 11 paid, I James Garrett of Lanesfield, King Ludin  
 County Va do make this my last will and Testa-  
 ment as follows, I wish all my just debts to  
 be paid. If Chas. Ryland will take it I wish  
 him to have the one hundred and thirty two  
 acres of land below Bro. Reuben's river, New  
 Shaw's creek, in payment for Geo's board for  
 the 3 sessions past & for Reuben's board to  
 complete his course of study at Richmond  
 College; or the land to be sold & the paid  
 \$100. per session. The 93 acres near Smith  
 old bridges and my 1/2 interest in old  
 mill seat & land containing 100 or more  
 acres, to be sold if thought advisable,  
 to meet necessary supplies & provide for  
 the completion of Reuben's education, when  
 if he continues to apply himself well,  
 or acts off in encouragement will prob-  
 require 3 sessions after the present, when  
 due as usual, I suppose would have to  
 make arrangements for the land gotten from  
 Bro Reuben, but I have not had the full view

to me, the rest of my estate to be kept together while  
 Ann lives, so as to provide a home for her and  
 the unmarried children, or if she should die ear-  
 ly, until Reuben becomes of age, I also wish my  
 married children my grand children to consider  
 Fairfield a home, & stay as they have done, or  
 may wish to do, when it suits them, or if it  
 should be thought better for them to be removed  
 from the gap on the road to Indian Neck, near  
 Green's Spring, to be run near the path so as  
 to include the wood & the lot on which Solomon  
 Newhill now lives, & about as the fence now runs  
 including the lot on which Jethy & they possess a  
 lot, & cross out on the road, leading from  
 Old Mill to my house near the bars & swamp,  
 & thence round the road to the beginning (so as  
 to embrace the tenements, the 5 or 6 little fields of im-  
 proved land, the wood land & meadows in said bounds,  
 it could be done, & the remainder of the farm divid-  
 ed among my 7 children, so that each one might  
 have a small tract to improve upon, or dispose of  
 as may seem best, The part of the farm on which  
 the buildings are situated, I should like for the  
 remainder of the legacies to let Jew & Reuben  
 have on as favorable terms as they can afford,  
 If they are disposed to live on it & take care of  
 their unmarried sister, when that usual division  
 takes place, I expect Mrs H Amers and Kate to have  
 about ten as they have done as long as Ann  
 lives, or they may wish to, I should like for a  
 slab to be put at the head & foot of my dear  
 Prissie's grave, plain like those at her resting  
 All of the rest of my property including my  
 interest in Capt H Amers's Est. I leave for the  
 benefit of my wife & children while she lives,  
 and at her death to be divided equally between

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my children, my accounts with Capt Hancock  
 are all settled upon accounts  
 since & I have only about of \$2<sup>24</sup>/<sub>100</sub> in  
 hand toward payment of Chas's fee for  
 recording the will, last settled, and the  
 certificate for Redemption of stock, the  
 interest in which Mrs Hancock is entitled  
 to receive during her life & which at her  
 death is to be divided with Sumner with  
 undisputed, unless Capt Hancock's legal  
 but if the Church is still kept up at  
 Jerusalem it wd. be well in dividing or selling  
 Sumner's to give a little to the lot on which  
 it stands. (if we or mine) I should like  
 to leave something for benevolent objects,  
 but means being limited & leaving ev'ry  
 word to give as God has prospered me accord-  
 ing to the best of my judgment, which I  
 can only recommend to my children  
 far as possible to pursue a similar course  
 and avoiding what my father proved a warning  
 to them & improving upon my good example  
 I may leave them, and lastly having full  
 confidence in the honor, integrity & capacity  
 of my sons in law Charles & Myself &  
 William L. Brewster & my son John  
 Garritt, I appoint them & either of them  
 my full giving them authority to make  
 in fees and for 5000 of land surveyors  
 fees which he has paid for it & as an  
 acre if the deed has not been made to  
 him, and after consultation with my  
 wife & children & disposal of property real  
 or personal & make whatever improvements  
 they can in the farm, & in stock, crops  
 &c. & I request that they shall

be required to give security in and witness being  
on my Estate, Witness my hand and seal this  
31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1878

Geo M. Garbutt (w)

February 11<sup>th</sup> 1883, Such changes having occurred  
as ~~a~~ under things expressed in my will, it is neces-  
sary to be than now, I ought to write it over again  
but I have not done so yet, I have always felt  
it the less necessary to make as well as the law  
seems to make in the main the necessary pro-  
vision when one is situated as I am, I suppose  
Rintow will kindly remain at home to help &  
take care of the family, I hope Geo will do so.  
I think it right he should not have to make  
too great sacrifice of worldly prospects to in-  
able him to do so, It occurs to me, in  
case the arrangement is made, it would be  
well to have my real estate, valued by judi-  
competent, & for John to have the land  
part of which is now in what, say beginning  
at the road (nearly opposite to where I  
used to have an exposed grave) & run-  
ning as the fence now does to the gate near  
where my old stable & lot formerly was, thence  
on a straight line to the woods, thence  
as the fence runs across the road to  
the fence dividing the two fields, thence as the  
fence runs between this land & the field next  
to Wrights side to the road at the bus near  
the swamp & thence round the road, to the  
beginning. I also wish him to have some 24 or  
30 acres beginning at the corner between R.  
Smiths & the lot belonging to Edna Holmes  
at round this lot to the road, thence up road

to be paid out, to be by side of road to a  
 ravine (a gully cut very far from where  
 path used to cross the field to Smith's  
 stream thro' woods to fence between me  
 & Smith's, & then along his fence up to  
 Doris let so as to give wood land to support  
 the other, my idea is for him to have  
 this land at once, so that he can have  
 possession of it & go on to improve it as  
 well as cultivate it being convenient for him  
 to have the use of the barns & stable & a  
 well as school house here if he likes, my  
 object is for him to have land of his own  
 to improve in as he sees fit, not to have  
 any money to pay unless the quantity  
 & value should exceed his portion in the  
 division, & for all the land to be valued,  
 before this arrangement is made, so that  
 if a subsequent valuation may be nec-  
 essary in the final division of the land the  
 same relative value may be retained  
 without requiring any advance from him  
 for any improvement on land or other-  
 wise he may have expected, I wish him  
 to live with the family, free of board  
 & board as long as his mother and  
 single sisters live here, if he chooses  
 reasonable compensation for  
 managing the farm & affairs of the est-  
 appreciating with his kindness to me  
 I should like to return I may to him if he  
 would, in that case but not, & if my  
 land below Garrison & Heurborn's will  
 my half the old mill property could  
 be sold to pay indebtedness & leave me  
 what it ought to, should be very

glad for willie to have \$200 as some compensation  
time for medical services of the family, & this;  
Charlie said he never wanted it mentioned  
again would like for him to have \$200. addition  
al compensation for board furnished Geo & Ben  
when at college,

Geo W. Garbutt, July 11<sup>th</sup> 1885

Jacking and James County Court August 11<sup>th</sup> 1885,  
This writing purporting to be the last will and  
testament of John W. Garbutt deceased, with a  
codicil annexed, was produced in Court, by W. L.  
Broadus and John W. Garbutt, two of the ex-  
ecutors therein named, and there being no subscribing  
witness thereto, J. R. B. Wright and Thomas E.  
Hewshaw, were sworn and severally deposed, that  
they are well acquainted with the Testator named  
writing, and verily believe the said writings and  
the name thereto subscribed, to be wholly written  
by the Testator herein named; Whereupon the  
said witnesses are advised to be recorded as the  
true last will and testament of the said John  
W. Garbutt dead: And on the motion of the said  
W. L. Broadus and John W. Garbutt, two of the ex-  
ecutors therein named, who read with the Court,  
and entered into and acknowledged abroad in the  
penalty of Two Thousand Dollars of 2000 - with-  
out security, Credit and as the law directs, the  
Testator having requested in his said will that  
no money be required of his said executors, Cer-  
tificates are granted them for obtaining a probate  
of the said will in due form, Liberty being reserved  
to the other executor named in said will to join  
in the probate, when he shall think fit,

Teste J. R. Taylor D

Truly Recorded this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 1885

100 + 1000 for the bond