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In the Name of God Amen I Robert Blackwell
of the County of Lunenburg being sick in body but of
sound mind and disposing memory & calling to mind the uncertainty
of human life do make certain bequests & appoint that my last
will and testament in manner and form as follows that is to say
I give and bequeath unto my daughter Christiana Iffers all
the advancements already made to her - my desire is that my
said daughter should have nothing more of my estate hereafter

3rd I give unto my son Tho^s Blackwell all the advancements
already made to him - my desire is that my son should have
nothing more of my estate hereafter

4th I give and bequeath unto my son Stephen Jones Blackwell
all the advancements already made to him and in addition thereto

I give my said son my negro man Stephen a feather bed &
furniture a cow & half four sheep to him & his heirs forever
5th I give & bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Goodwin Blackwell
my two girls by the name of Mike & Polly & their future increase
& be accounted for in the final division of my estate at one
hundred & fifty dollars each - I also give my said daughter my
select felly a cow & half a feather bed & furniture four sheep
to her & his heirs forever

6th I give and bequeath to my daughter Anne Jones Smith the
advancements already made to her & fifteen dollars each - my

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advancements already made to her & fifteen dollars cash - my
said daughter to account for three hundred eighty dollars in
the final Division of my estate -

Sixthly I give and bequeath to my son James Goodwin Blackwelder
the sum of four hundred dollars my Bucking hunt horse
a saddle & bridle a cow calf & feather bed & furniture &
four sheep when he shall arrive at lawful age or marriage.

Seventhly I give and bequeath unto my son John Blackwelder my negro
boy named Edmund a horse to be raised from the profits of
my estate worth about eighty dollars a saddle & bridle a cow
& calf a feather bed & furniture & four sheep when he shall
arrive at lawful age or marriage.

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Eighthly I give and bequeath to my son Robert Blackwelder my negro
boy Moses a horse to be raised from the profits of my estate
worth about eighty dollars a saddle & bridle a cow &
calf & feather bed & furniture & four sheep when he shall
arrive at lawful age or marriage.

Ninthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Jane Jones Blackwelder
my two negroes Gerlo Amy & Sundry to be accounted for in the
final Division of my estate Amy at \$50 and Sundry at \$100.
I also give my said daughter Jane a horse to be raised
from the profits of my estate worth about eighty dollars a
saddle & bridle a cow & calf a feather bed and furniture and
four sheep when she shall arrive at lawful age or marriage.

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I give and bequeath unto my son John Blackwell my negro
boy named Edmund a horse & be raised from the profits of
my estate worth about eighty dollars a saddle & bridle & cow &
half a feather bed & furniture & four sheep when he shall
arrive at lawfull age or marriage

Eightly I give and bequeath to my son Robert Blackwell my negro
boy Moses a horse & be raised from the profits of my estate
worth about eighty dollars a bridle & saddle & cow &
half a feather bed & furniture & four sheep when he shall
arrive at lawfull age or marriage

Amately I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Blackwell
my two negroes Gertie Amy & Sundry to be accounted for in the
final Division of my estate Amy at \$500 and Sundry @ \$100.
I also give my said daughter Jane a horse & be raised
from the profits of my estate worth about eighty dollars a
saddle & bridle & cow & half a feather bed and furniture and
four sheep when she shall arrive at lawfull age or marriage

Twelfthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Blackwell
my two negroes Gertie Sophia & Mincy and their
future increase to be accounted for in the final division of my
estate Sophia at \$500 and Mincy at \$200 I also give my

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said daughter a horse to be raised from the profits of my estate
worth about eighty dollars a bundle & paddles along with a
further kind of furniture & four sheep when she shall arrive at
lawfull age or marriages

Now my desire is that my executor hereinafter named shall receive a
discretionary power over my negro boy Richard that is to say to sell
said negro or not as my said exec shall judge most
proper for the benefit of my estate if my executor shall act
inward not to sell said negro then my ^{will} is that said negro
be disposed of with the residue in the next item

Item the residue of my estate both real & personal of every descrip-
-tion I leave unto my wife Lucy Blackwell during her
natural life and at her death I give the tract of land called
Greens to my daughter Elizabeth G. Blackwell during her single
life and all the rest of my land at the death of my wife
and the aforesaid tract called Greens at the death or marriage
of my said daughter Elizabeth G. I give to be equally
divided among my sons Stephen J. James Geo. John and
Robert or their heirs and the negroes to be equally divided
among my daughter Elizabeth G. Blackwell Anna J. Smith
Lucy I & Mary Rebs Blackwell or their heirs having regard
to the difference in value of specific legacies herein before
mentioned and to be accounted for in this it being the final

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mentioned and to be accounted for in this it being the final
Division aimed to but should the negroes in this residue of
my estate increase in number or Value so as to be worth
more than the land then my wish is that both land & negroes
should be valued and the surplus that remains over after
balancing the land in Value should be equally divided among
my eight children as named in this Item or their heirs and
the balance of my estate that remains after the death
of my wife I desire should be sold and the money arising
therefrom be divided among my aforesaid last mentioned eight
children or their heirs if my wife should die before my
son Robert arrives Lunenburg County Will 1818-1826 www.virginiapioneers.net eighteen years then my
Desire is that the State Council to her should be kept
together till that time, to support the younger children &
raise their small negroes and then be disposed of as
before directed in this Item allowing my daughter Elizabeth
to live in the family till she gets possession of the
land allotted to her

Item my Desire is that if any or either of my negroes devised
to my children should die before being delivered that my
estate should furnish such child or children a negro or
negroes equal in valuation not less thereof
Lastly I do hereby appoint my brother John Blackwell executor of this my
last will and testament hereby revoking all other or former wills

balance of the land in Value should be equally divided among
my eight children as named in this Item or their heirs and
the balance of my estate that remains after the death
of my wife I desire should be sold and the money arising
therefrom be divided among my aforesaid last mentioned eight
children or their heirs if my wife should die before my
son Robert arrives to the age of eighteen years then my
desire is that the estate I owned to her should be kept
together till that time, to support the younger children &
raise their small negroes and then be disposed of as
before directed in this Item allowing my daughter Elizabeth
to live in the family till she gets possession of the
land allotted to her

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Item my desire is that if any or either of my negroes devised
to my children should die before being delivered that my
estate should furnish such child or children a negro or
negroes equal in valuation to the value thereof

Lastly I do hereby appoint my brother John Blackwell as executor of this my
last will and testament hereby revoking all other or former wills
or testament by me heretofore made in which I have
been named as my executor the 15 day of November 1822
signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of
Mr. [unclear] R. Blackwell

In Lunenburg County Court 12th May 1823 The last will and testament of Robert Blackwell was again presented into Court & proved by the oath of one of the witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be legitimated and on the motion of Robert Blackwell the executor named in the said will who having made oath according to law legitimation is granted him for obtaining probate of the said will in due form whenever he enters into bond with approved security for that purpose conditioned as the law directs - And at a Court held for the said County the 9th day of June following the said will was again presented into Court and further proved by oath of another witness thereto subscribed and ordered to be recorded

Teste

R M Taylor

Gresham Ambros Property appraised belonging to the estate of Ambrose Gresham
 To one bay horse (Colony) appraised @ \$15.00
 one negro fellow George do @ 25.00 \$35.00

We the undersigned after being duly sworn first as the law directs have appraised the property belonging to the estate of