

I, William H. Brothers, of the County of Nansemond, in the State of Virginia, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make this my last will and testament hereby revoking any former will by me at any time made.

1st. It is my will and desire that my burial expenses together with my just debts, be fully paid as soon after my death as practicable.

2nd. I loan to my beloved wife Mary J. Brothers my home farm, except the Deed of Gift made to my daughter Bertha Gertrude Hart, to her during her life, at her death I wish to dispose of the same in the following manner, to wit: I give and devise unto my son George Clement Brothers, all that piece or parcel of land, constituting a part of my home place, containing by estimation one hundred (100) acres, more or less, beginning at a ditch on the North side of the Dragon road about one hundred and fifty (150) yards west of my dwelling house and running along the ditch a Northeasterly course across the cleared land to a newly marked line of trees, thence along the line of marked trees to a red oak, a corner with another piece of land herein after devised to my daughter Elva Pearl Brothers, thence along the line of said last mentioned tract of land and line of marked trees to the cleared field, thence in the field to an iron post at head of an old ditch, thence along the ditch to the branch making a corner on the lands of Hersey V. Knight formerly F. R. Ellenor, thenceup the branch said Knight's line to the county road, and thence along the county road to the beginning.

3rd. I give and devise to my daughter Elva Pearl Brothers all the remainder of my home tract of land not heretofore disposed of estimated to contain one hundred and fifty (150) acres, more or less, also a right of way to her and any other of my heirs, eighteen (18) feet wide, beginning at the county road on the west side of the ditch and running thence along the said ditch a Northeasterly course across the cleared land to the lands of J. H. Baines, thence along and up the old boggy tract, a Northwesterly course the line of J. H. Baines, as far as may be necessary, that is to say, so that they may have egress to and from this particular land to the county road, and the lands herein devised are subject to the said right of way.

I also give and bequeath to my daughter Elva Pearl Brothers, three hundred (300.) Dollars in cash.

4th. As I have made a Deed of Gift to my daughter Bertha Gertrude Hart, I have nothing more to give her.

5th. I give and devise to Mit Kay the sum of twenty five (25) dollars, that is to say five dollars a year for five years, provided she remains with the family and does as she has done.

6th. All the rest and residue of my estate, both real and personal except one had

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ture which my wife Mary J. Brothers, may desire to keep for her own use, shall be sold by my executor s hereinafter named, subject to the right of way above mentioned, and the proceeds thereof used in the payment of my just debts if any, the residue of said proceeds of sale, after the payment of said debts, I give and devise unto my beloved wife and to my children, except Elva Pearl Brothers, George Clement Brothers and Bertha Gertrude Hart, for whom I have already made provisions herein, to them to share and share alike.

7th. I name and appoint my sons W. E. Brothers and E. A. Brothers the Executors of this my last Will and Testament, and give them full power and authority to dispose of said property as hereinabove directed, either by public or private sale, as in their discretion they may think best, and to give the purchaser or purchasers thereof good and valid deeds therefor, I also request the Court in which they may offer to qualify to permit them to so by giving bond without security.

Witness my hand and seal this the 8th of February, 1912.

W. H. Brothers (SEAL)

C. L. Parker (SEAL)

C. F. Urquhart (SEAL)

Signed, sealed and acknowledged by William H. Brothers as and for his last will and testament in our presence, who in his presence, at his request, and in the presance of each other, have hereubto subscribed our names as witnesses.

Virginia:

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, the 6th day of March, 1912.

A paper writing, dated the 8th day of February, 1912, purporting to be the last will and testament of W. H. Brothers, late of this county, deceased, was this day produced before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, and proved according to law by the oaths of C. L. Parker and C. F. Urquhart, the two subscribing witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded as and for the true last will and testament of the said W. H. Brothers, deceased.

And on the motion of W. E. Brothers and E. A. Brothers, who are named in the said last will and testament as Executors thereof, and who made oath according to law and entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Four Thousand Dollars, conditioned according to law, (but without security, the said last will and testament directing that no security be required of them), certificate is granted them the said W. E. Brothers and E. A. Brothers Executors, for obatining a probate of said last will and testament in due form.

And it is ordered that said bond be recorded.

Teste:

G. E. Bunting, Clerk,
By A. L. Twitty, D. C.