

the line of my land, I make my last will and testament in manner and form, as follows. To wit:
First, I desire that so much of my Personal Estate be sold immediately, after my decease, for cash or upon such credit as my Executor may deem proper, and out of the money arising from such sale, all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid. In lieu of selling my Personal Estate, it is my will and desire (if my executor should deem it best) that he sell that portion of my land lying on the North side of the Branch, which has its source near George Pacer's, and empties into the river nearly opposite Benjamin Doughton's house, being the Northern part of my tract of land, containing some where about sixty acres, upon such terms as he may think best, and apply the proceeds to the payment of my debts; leaving it discretionary with my Executor to sell a sufficiency of personal property for the payment of my debts, or the aforesaid parcel of land, with so much of my personal property, as will be sufficient for the payment of my debts.

Secondly: I devise and bequeath to Mildred Saunders during her natural life, the residue of my estate, both real and personal, except one Red Cow with a white face, which cow I give to Mary Frances Pacer. It is my wish that Mildred Saunders, select such of the slaves, horses, stock and household and kitchen furniture, as shall not be required for the payment of my debts, and that she shall during her life take care of and support Slave Curwell.

I further suggest to Mildred Saunders, that in the selection of slaves, that she take Sally and Henry and such others, as she may choose, provided said slaves

not required (as aforesaid) to be sold for the payment of
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thence; after the death of Mildred Saunders, it is my will and desire that
all my estate, both real and personal be sold by my executor, hereinafter named
and the money arising from such sale, and the advancements heretofore made
to my children (which advancements are hereinafter set forth) divided as follows
among my children and grandchildren.

To wit; to Middleton Miller, in trust for the sole and separate use of my
daughter Patey Racer during her natural life $\frac{1}{5}$ part first deducting therefrom the
sum of four hundred dollars, being the amount which I have heretofore advanced
to the said Patey Racer and her children; and after the death of the said
Patey, the said Trustee (Middleton Miller) is to divide the said Trust funds among
her children equally. To Absalom Estes $\frac{1}{5}$ part, first deducting from the share of
the said Absalom Estes, the sum of one hundred dollars, fifty dollars of which
sum I give and bequeath to Mary Frances Racer, and the residue of said sum
(\$50.) I bequeath to George Racer and James Racer to be equally divided between them.

To the children of Larkin Sims, I bequeath $\frac{1}{5}$ part, first deducting from the share
of the said children of Larkin Sims, the sum of two hundred dollars, being the
amount heretofore advanced to him. To Solomon Sims $\frac{1}{5}$ part, first deducting from
said Solomon's share, the sum of forty dollars being the amount heretofore advanced
to him. And to the children of Robert Sims $\frac{1}{5}$ part.

Of upon the final division of my estate it is my will and desire that the advancement
made to any one of my children is more than his or her respective share,
then it is my desire and intention, that any one of them shall be
equally to refund any part of such advancements, heretofore made but shall

from will and testament by me heretofore made. In witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this 24th day of
February 1854.

Abner ^{his} Sims
mark



Signed, sealed and delivered by
Abner Sims, as and for his
last will and testament in pres-
ence of us, who at his request and
in his presence have subscribed
our names as witnesses

J. J. Brown

William Cannon

The interlineation on the left hand page 'the children of' and the interline-
ation at the top of this page was done before the signing and sealing
of this will by me and done in presence of the witnesses, this 24th
February 1854.

Abner ^{his} Sims
mark

In Rappahannock County Court, 13th day of June 1854.

This last will and testament of Abner Sims deceased, was this day
produced to the Court, proved by the oaths of James J. Brown and William
Cannon, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded; and
on the motion of Hiram A. Brown, the Clerk of the Court, it was ordered that

our names as witnesses

J. Brown
William Cannon

The interlineation on the left hand page of the children of and the interlineation at the top of this page was done before the signing and sealing of the will by me and done in presence of the witnesses, this 24th February 1854.

Abner L. Sims
mark

In Rappahannock County Court, 12th day of June 1854.

This last will and testament of Abner Sims deceased, was this day produced to the Court, proved by the oaths of James J. Brown and William Cannon, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded; and on the motion of Isidore H. Brown, the Executor therein named, who made oath thereto and together with Absalom Jordan, his security, (who justified on oath as to his sufficiency) entered into and acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of \$12,000. conditioned as the law directs, certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat of the said will in due form.

Test.

W. J. Menefer l. c.