

Clerk's office of Rappahannock County Court, 12th of December 1853.

Rappahannock Co., Virginia, 1842-1849 (Wills and Estates)
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This affirmation of the Personal Estate of Harriet Shipps deceased,
was this day received in said office and admitted to record.

Test,

W. J. Menefee C. C.

A. Browning In the name of God, Amen, I John A. Browning living on Thornton's
Will River in the County of Rappahannock and State of Virginia, being
of sound mind and memory, thanks be to Almighty God for
the same, and sensible from the severe afflictions under which
I am suffering that a dissolution of soul and body must soon
take place, make this my last Will and Testament.

First, I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Campbell, the
wife of Walter Campbell, my Negro girl Hellen to be estimated at
the sum of eight hundred dollars in the distribution of my estate
secondly, I wish my Executor to sell all my property, both
real and personal (except the girl named in the first clause) and
divide the same as he sees fit after my debts are paid.

reasonable notice of the same, and from the proceeds first to pay my funeral expenses, all my debts, and the cost and charges attending the settlement of my Estate.

Thirdly, - I give and bequeath to my sons Lafayette Browning and Richard Browning each, the sum of eight hundred dollars in order to qualify them with my daughter Jane Campbell.

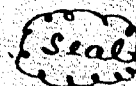
Fourthly, - I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Campbell, Lafayette Browning and Richard Browning all the residue of money which may arise from the sale of my property to be equally divided between them, upon conditions, that each of them give bond with security for the payment of fifty dollars annually for the support and maintenance of my son Robert so long as he shall live; the bonds to be made payable to Walker Campbell, whom I nominate as Guardian for my son Robert Browning. I farther desire that Walker Campbell and my daughter Jane, shall give special attention to the support and comfort to my unfortunate son Robert, and that they shall be entitled yearly to the one hundred and fifty dollars, provided above for his support.

Fifthly, - I nominate and appoint my son Richard Browning as the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

this 12th day of December 1853.

Given under my hand,

John I. Browning



Executor of this my last will and testament
this 13th day of December 1853.

John J. Browning
Thos. Weatheras
S. Lillard
Cornelius Smither

The above was signed in the presence of each of us.

In Rappahannock County Court, 9th day of January 1854.
This last Will and Testament of John J. Browning deceased, was this day
exhibited to the Court, proved by the oaths of Benjamin Lillard and Cornelius
Smith, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.
And on the motion of Richard S. Browning the Executor therein named, who
made oath and together with Cornelius Smith, Walker Campbell and Lafayette
and acknowledged his securities (who justified on oath as to their sufficiency) entered
into a certificate is granted him, for obtaining a probat of the said
will in the form...

Test. Wm. Menefee cl.