

WILL OF MARY BLAIR ANDREWS

The Awful Dispensation with which Heaven has visited me in calling by death my beloved Nephew Thomas Henderson makes it necessary I should appoint another successor to what I may have it in my power to leave.

1st to the children of my beloved Husband viz: Anna Randolph, Elizabeth, Robert and John Andrews, and Catherine Wilkinson as a Token of my affection for them, I leave and bequeath to them and their heirs all the share of lands left me by their Fathers Will and unsold at my death, except those he got by my Father the Lands herein devised are situated in Kentucky and in Harrison, Norfolk and Princess Anne Counties in Virginia and also 2 Lots near Gosport.

2nd all my interest in the estate in Albemarle with slaves thereon I leave and bequeath to John Blair Peachy and to his heirs, youngest son of my Fathers Neice Mary M. Peachy providing he pay to his Mother his brother and each of his sisters one hundred Dollars each and the like sum to Mr Archibald Blair Sen^r to his sisters Mrs Francis Claiborne, Mrs Hill and Mrs Cringan of Richmond, and to my Friend Miss Margard Miller in London, eighty dollars yearly, as long as she lives. It is my Impression that the whole of said Estate in Albemarle left by my Father to my sister and myself became mine on the death of her son Thomas, for her moiety my Fathers Will expressly says shall not be for her children only but for them and the children that may be of his surviving daughter, in what proportion therefore had Thomas a fee which his father could heir from him while I survived, and though this estate my father guarded for his own offspring of which I am sole survivor, but gave all his other property at his death to his son-in law confidentially for the behalf of his daughters and tho heirs liberally provided otherwise, and contrary to the evident intention of my Father, Mr Henderson kept possession of half the estate after the death of his son, and has left the whole to his son James

by another wife on my death, as I am so advised. The life I have forborne to contest his assumed right, but I leave all my right in that estate either as heir to my father, or by his Will to said John Blair Peachy and his heirs, if he succeeds in obtaining it.

I leave to Mr Archibald Blair Sen. and to Mrs Cringan of Richmond one share each of those I hold in fee simple in the James river canal, the share I have in the plot of Belfield, but which is not to be demanded from Judge Semple or his heirs till twelve months after my death. I leave to my Godson Alfred Thompson and in case of his death to his sister Mrs Mary Dixon, and Helen Anne Thompson, equally between them, and the share I have in Houses and Lots in Williamsburg and [] by my Husbands Will I leave to [this space was left blank or erased] but should John Blair Peachy not succeed to the estate in Albemarle those negroes or proportion of it that Mr Wickham or Mr Hayes are of opinion I am entitled to in fee simple, then those negroes and share in the Houses and Lots in Williamsburg also the two shares in the James river canal otherwise devised herein shall be for John Blair Peachy and to be had by my executors for his behalf, till he gets said estate or proportion of it specified, and the suit brought for it be determined in his favor, neither shall he be liable therefor until he gets said estate to the payment of the forementioned legacies in money only to the annuity to Miss Miller if she survives me, should the heirs of my Fathers sisters succeed to said estate, yet it be found that I had a right to the whole during my life from the death of Thomas M. [sic] Hendersons heirs will have to refund to my estate the proffits of half the estate during that time, which if recovered I leave to Doctor Thomas Griffin Peachy, should John Blair Peachy succeed to the said estate or proportion specified then he shall pay the forementioned legacies independent of what I may afterwards direct for those friends. To Col^l Samuel Carr and Mr Peter Minor both of Albemarle, I leave two shares each of those I hold in the Virginia Farmers Bank of Alexandria and to Mr Francis Gilmer attorney at Law in Richmond I leave six shares in said Bank in tokens of the Gratitude I feel for the kindness I have received from these gentlemen.

The Bond I have received from Mrs Peachy and her son Griffin I leave equally between them and her two daughters and my Godson William S. Peachy. To Mr Archibald Blair Sen. I leave the 3^d share I possess, and undivided above, in the James river Canal. To my Daughter Anne Randolph of Wilton and to her Daughters Elizabeth and Catherine and to Miss Anne Ballard, I leave each a share of those I possess in the Virginia Farmers Bank, and to my Godson

James G. Belfour I leave one share in said bank, to my Grandson Robert Randolph of Wilton I leave the share of the silver plate left me by my Husband and to his son John Andrews, the Gold watch I wear the seal thereto engraved with the Blairs arms I leave to Archibald Blair Jun. of Richmond. To my daughter Elizabeth Andrews and to Catharine Wilkinson in Mississippi I leave the Bond given me by Joseph Wilkinson for the price of a negro Boy with interest thereon equally between them, and what said Joseph Wilkinson is due me on his Bond for hires as stated in my Books I leave to his children Anne Biddle, Robert Andrews, and Mary Elizabeth and Biddle Wilkinson equally among them.

To Mary Blair little my name Daughter and to my God children Harriet Tabb, Martha Banister, Miles Cary Jr Jane Blair Cary, Archibald Blair Fairfax, W. H. Newsum[?], Mary Anne Blair and William Blair Tazewell, I leave each two shares in the Norfolk Bridge making 18 shares, the remaining 4 shares I possess in said Bridge I leave to Bainbridge William Haywood, and Tabatha Bowles equally between them in case of the Death of either of said Haywood and Tabatha Bowles their shares shall belong to Mrs Peachy or her children.

In witness of the above foregoing pages I intended to have have appointed Archibald Blair of Richmond as executor with my cousin Peachy to this my will but his situation must disable him from acting. I appoint my cousin Doctor Griffin Peachy with his mother Mrs Mary M Peachy my executor and executrix in the faithful discharge of the Trust I repose in them I have perfect reliance and in Testamony of the above and foregoing pages written entirely with my own hand this 15th day of October one thousand eight hundred and nineteen I herunto subscribe my name and affix my seal.

Mary Blair Andrews seal

It is six shares in the Farmers Alexandria Bank I have left my friend Mr Gilmer. In the 2^d page I have twice interlined the word or proportion of it specified also these "during that time" and the above name B. W. Haywood and Tabatha Bowles.

Mary Blair Andrews

October 25th 1819 -

I also leave to my cousin Cringan one of the shares I hold in the Virginia Farmers Bank. If John Blair Peachy succeeds to the Estate of Blair Parks in Albemarle or proportion of it Mr Hays or Mr Wickham think I am entitled, their [sic] my share in the lands and lot in Williamsburg and the negroes to be divided at my Death shall be equally divided between Fanny Egglestone Mr Blair third son Archibald Blair and Margaret Blair oldest

Daughter of John F Blair of Hunter.

Mary Blair Andrews

I leave to Mr. Archibald Blair Sen. my Horse and carriage the carriage does not belong to me, but may be valued and the price paid to the estate of my Husband by my executors, this donation I want in lieu of the one share in the James river Canal last devised to him which I now devise to my cousin Anne Cringan in lieu of that devised to her was to wait the determination of the estate of Blair Parks with this there is a letter I wrote to cousin Peachy and her son Doctor Peachy and a statement of what money is due to me by my son in law Robert Andrews by his Bond and from others from which there are several sums to be paid to various persons as therein directed, which letter and statement I do hereby declare to be written by me and wish to declare my intentions as certainly as if entered in this Will only in addition to the fifty Dollars therein directed to my friend Miss Fanny Egglestone, and what is herein devised to her I leave her two shares, those I hold in the Virginia Bank and that fifty Dollars be also paid from those Funds stated to Mr. William Wallock cousins of my beloved Thomas Henderson -

December 11th 1819 -

Mary Blair Andrews

I have given up my share in the small Tract of Land called Bear Quarter lately sold to John Andrews, if the shares undivided of those I hold in the Virginia Bank I leave two to my Friend Mr. Archibald Blair -

Being much indisposed makes it uncertain that I may see you again and my poor friend Mr. A Blair continuing still in a very helpless state - I have altered my will and appointed you and your son Doctor my sole executors, as I wrote you my son Robert gave me a Bond which is my Book of accounts for \$1180.96 - for what I had charged him in my Books on his on Bond for \$1000 and also for \$240 and for the hires he was due me, so that when this comes into your hand or Doctor Peachys those two Bonds above mentioned must be destroyed, as I could not do so, as I left them with you in the small trunk with my other Bonds and papers. There is in it a Note from John Andrews for \$100 which I lent him when in Norfolk last. I put a paper round it directing him to pay that \$100 to his aunt but in case of my death I do not wish him to pay that to her having left her a share in Virginia Farmers Bank in lieu of - and I desire his Bond put with Roberts in my book for another \$100 may be given up to him, but I have not mentioned this in my will, for if I live circumstances may make it necessary for me to demand these

sums and for the sums I have not [unclear], I have not [unclear] if he pays
Robertson Bond that I mean to remit to him \$1000 in six months
the remaining \$2280.96 to my executors in six months
after my death I divide among the servants I allowed him
and Mr. Nickham to carry to Mississippi \$20 - his last
will may be given up to him, I have not either mentioned
some other legacies in money and in Bank Stock to some
of my friends fearing circumstances may make it
necessary to circumscribe my intentions for them, but I
enclose a statement of them, and the fund from which they
are to be paid. I hope my dear John Blair I may obtain
the estate of Blair Park and God grant he may prove a
good and virtuous character which is far above
every other inheritance That Happiness Eternal and
Temporal may be the portion of you and yours my beloved
friend is the prayer of your affectionate

Richmond Oct 7th 1819
To Mrs Mary M Peachy
and Thomas G Peachy

Mary Blair Andrews

