

County Court, Monday Sept. 1st 1879.

State of Tennessee

Bradley County } Be it remembered at a County-Court opened and held at the Court House in the town of Clinton on Monday the 1st day of September, 1879. It being the first Monday of said month then appeared to hold said Court the Worshipful, John P. Davis, Chairman, where the following proceedings were had, to-wit:-

Probate of Will and qualification of Executor and Executrix of J. E. Rabb, deceased.

Came Charles Rabb and Matilda Rabb into open Court and suggested the death of J. E. Rabb and produced a certain Script or paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said J. E. Rabb, and in which said Charles Rabb and Matilda Rabb are nominated as Executor and Executrix, of which Charles E. Bartlett and A. S. Hoffman are subscribing witnesses, and it came along with them said Charles E. Bartlett, who being first duly sworn deposed that he was acquainted with said testator J. E. Rabb, that he departed his life at his residence in the County of Bradley and State of Tennessee, on the 15th day of August 1879, and that the said witnesses at the instance and request of said testator in his life time and in his presence and in the presence of said A. S. Hoffman subscribing witness as aforesaid and on the day it bore date subscribed his name to the said last Will and Testament, of said deceased as a subscribing witness, thence, said A. S. Hoffman so likewise subscribed his name to the said last Will and Testament, and he further deposes that said last Will and Testament is altogether in the hand writing of J. E. Rabb, the testator, except the signatures of the subscribing witnesses aforesaid and that said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time said last Will and Testament was executed and attested as aforesaid, thence the Court orders and adjudge that said paper writing be and is hereby admitted to probate as the last Will and Testament of J. E. Rabb, deceased, and it appearing from inspection thence

that said Charles Rabb and Matilda Rabb are apparent Executors and Executrix of said last Will and Testament and that by the provision of said last Will they are excused from entering into bond as they otherwise would have been required to do, and they having appeared as aforesaid, having been duly sworn and qualified as in such case is provided by law, thence the Court orders that letters Testamentary be issued to said Executors and Executrix, and the Clerk of this Court will enroll said last Will and Testament in the Will Book of record of this Court on page 421.

Letters Testamentary to Matilda Rabb and Charles Rabb
State of Tennessee }
Bradley County -

To Matilda Rabb and Charles Rabb, Citizens of Bradley County Tennessee.
It appearing to the satisfaction of the County Court of said County, that Julius E. Rabb, departed his life on the 15th day of August 1879, leaving a written Will which has been duly proven in open Court and the same ordered to be spread on record and you having been appointed Executrix and Executor by the testator, and you having been exonerated and not required to enter into bond and security, and you having been duly qualified to perform your duties according to law and to carry the provisions of said Will and the Court having ordered that letters Testamentary issue to you, thence:-

These and thence to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods and chattels, claims and effects, paper and stock, of the estate of said J. E. Rabb, deceased, and render a true and perfect Inventory thereof to the next Term of Bradley County Court, to collect and pay all just debts and do and transact all the duties in relation to said estate which lawfully devolve on you as Executrix and Executor of said Will and after settling up all the business of said estate to deliver the residue thereof to those lawfully entitled to the same. Witness James H. Rucker, Clerk of said Court in and for said State at office in Clinton 1st day of September 1879.
(signed) J. H. Rucker Clerk
John P. Davis Chairman

State of Tennessee
Bradley County

I, Jacob Smith, County Court Clerk, in and for said State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above foregoing and within is a true and correct copy of the Last Testament to Matilda Robt and Charles Robt, a Ex-ecutor and Ex-ecution respectively, of the Estate of J. E. Robt, deceased, and also a true and correct Copy of the records ordering the probate of the last Will and Testament of the said J. E. Robt, deceased, as the same appears of record in my office.

This September 18, 1907.

(Signed) Jacob Smith,
County Court Clerk.

Copy of J. E. Robt's Will.

I, Julius E. Robt of the County of Bradley, and State of Tennessee being in good health and of sound mind and disposing memory, calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs, and directing how the estate with which it has pleased God to bless me, shall be disposed of after my decease while I have strength and capacity to do so, make, publish and declare, this as my last Will and Testament.

And first I command my immortal being to Him who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried with little expense and no ostentation whatsoever by my Ex-ecutors hereafter named.

And as to my worldly estate and all the personal, personal and mixed of which I may die seized and possessed or to which I shall or may be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following, to-wit:-

My Will is that all my just debts and funeral charges shall be by my Ex-ecutors hereafter named to be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as to them may be convenient. To my beloved companion and blood wife Matilda Robt I give devise and bequeath all and every part of my household furniture, office furniture, library, clothes, books, carriage, goods and supplies on hand at the house and home farm all my live stock, Lanes poultries, all Lanes tools and

Implementals, and money for thousand dollars in lawful money to be paid to her by my Ex-ecutors within six months after my decease to her and to have the same in her own right, and at her own separate disposal in such way as she may think proper.

And I also devise and bequeath to her the net income and profits arising therefrom of my present residence, the adjoining buildings, farm lands and Town lots with each and singular appurtenances thereto belonging, and all situate as in and near the Town of Cleveland, County of Bradley and State of Tennessee, and which was by me purchased of Hanna & Co. Bellaway, E. A. Phares Rev. Mr. Bailey, Wm. Lea and the heirs of J. D. Traylor each and singular to her and to have to said Matilda Robt for and during the term of her natural life, and to be by her used, enjoyed and possessed for and during said term without let hindrance or molestation, but if my wife shall not desire to live on said properties, or shall wish to remove therefrom my Ex-ecutors will sell said lands residence and premises as a whole or in parcels at one or different times within two years after my wife shall have expressed such her desire in writing under her proper signature and in the event of such request and such disposal as aforesaid then I will that my said wife shall be paid all the income and interest arising from the fund bequeathed by such sale or sales as before provided for.

I also give devise and bequeath to my brother Charles Robt my brother Wm. L. Robt, and my sister Louisa Robt now Louisa Warrucker or their heirs one much undivided interest each being one third undivided interest all together in the Lanes mine situated in Bradley County, State of Tennessee. But whereas my brother Wm. L. Robt is at present indebted to me to the amount of thirty five hundred dollars and interest which is evidenced by two notes of \$2000.00 and \$1000.00 resp. It shall be left to his or her heirs, option to accept the above mentioned undivided one third interest or merge in lieu thereof notes cancelled, in the event the one third undivided interest in the Lanes mine is then bequeathed to my brother Wm. L. Robt, then remain the property of my heirs.

I also bequeath and devise my Executors hereinbefore named to pay to my sister Caroline Robt during her single life the interest accruing on \$5000.00

I will and bequeath to my Daughters, Louisa and Matilda for their sole and separate use free from the control of any husband they may hereafter have the sum of Ten thousand dollars lawful money of the United States of America to each and this bequest is made to them as apportioned and to the heirs of their bodies begotten and my Executors are hereby appointed Trustees for the proper management and investment of said fund and they will control the same so that my said Daughters may have and enjoy the income arising therefrom preserving the body of the fund. And it is my will and I hereby give and bequeath to my future female child which may be born of my said wife Matilda to use the amount of Ten thousand dollars with the same interest and in the same manner as the bequest is made to my said Daughters Louisa and Matilda, and to this fund I give the same authority and power to my Executors.

All the real and residue of my estate real, personal and mixed of which I may die seized and possessed or to which I may be entitled at my decease I devise, give and bequeath to be divided to and among my Children, Adolphus, Louisa, William, Julius, Frederick, Hermann, August and Matilda, and such other Children as may be born to me of my said wife Matilda during my life or after my decease. But in the distribution of said estate the bequest hereinbefore made to my Daughters is to be deducted from their share thereof and the same provisions apply to the bequest and legacy given to my other female Children which may be born to me, that is to say my Daughters will receive each Ten thousand dollars as hereinbefore provided and if any estate shall be bequeathed my male heirs will receive each the sum of Ten thousand \$10000.00, and any surplus or excess that may arise from the residue will be equally divided among all my Children male

and female. And I do hereby especially empower and authorize my Executors to sell and dispose of all my estate real and personal in such way and manner as to them may seem best for the interests of my heirs and authorize them to manage and control the fund making investments as their best judgment may dictate and in such way as the circumstances may make proper.

But such authority is not to extend to any interference with any of the property hereinbefore bequeathed to my wife during her natural life, but they are not to authorize a disposal of said properties unless upon the special request of my said wife as hereinbefore provided for.

I likewise make constitute and appoint my wife Matilda Robt Executrix and my brother Charles Robt Executor of this my last will and Testaments and in the event of the death or resignation of either of the above named parties, it is my will and request that Hon. John B. Hoyle residing at Cleveland shall act as my Co-Executor and the authority and power hereby conferred and given jointly to my Executors and Executrix appearing special confidence in them and believing that it is best for them to act conjointly and it is further my desire that my Executors and Executrix be not required to give bond for the faithful performance of their duties as is required by law, but I repose special confidence in them and believing that they will discharge their true duties with fidelity and a proper regard for the interests of my heirs and therefore it is my will that they shall not be required to give bond.

In witness whereof now having performed this the most solemn act of my life my making a disposition of all my worldly effects as best as I know law and as seems to me right I have on this the 16th day of March 1878 set my name and affixed my seal to this my last will and Testament, writing hereby all former wills and Codicils in the presence of the undersigned as Witnesses who assented the same as my request, and in my presence and in the presence of each other.

Alfred
A. S. Hoffman
C. E. Bonther.

(Signed) J. E. Robt. (Seal)

State of Tennessee
Bradley County

I Jacob Smith County Clerk
in and for the State and County
of said, do hereby certify that the above and for-
going is a true and correct copy of the last Will
and Testament of J. E. Robt. deceased, as the same
appears of record in my office in Will Book No. 1
pages 158, 159, 160, 161, 162 and 163.

This September 18th 1907.

(Signed) Jacob Smith
County Clerk

North Carolina
Cherokee County

I, A. A. Fani Clerk of the Superior
Court of Cherokee County, North Carolina
do hereby certify that a paper writing purporting to
be a copy of the last Will and Testament of J. E. Robt.
deceased, and the proof and record thereof has this
day been exhibited and filed with me, and from
said record it appearing to me the said Clerk of
the Superior Court of said County and State, that the
Original Will cannot be obtained for registration
in this County; and the said Will and the record and
proof having been properly certified by the proper
officer of Bradley County Tennessee, where said Will
was proven and recorded and filed, all of which
appears by transcript of said record under the
hand and seal of the said officer and the official
seal of the Bradley County Court of the State of
Tennessee. Now I hereby certify that the transcript
to which this certificate is attached is a true
and exact copy thereof and that I have recorded
the same in Book "A" of Wills at pages 372 to 378
inclusion.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th day
of October 1907.

A. A. Fani
Clerk Superior Court
Cherokee County N.C.

Surrogate Court
County of Nassau
In the matter of
Proving the last Will and
Testament of Edward W. Ladd,
deceased, as a Will of Real and
Personal Property.

Is the Surrogate Court of the County of
Nassau:-

The Petition of Louise Berry Wall Ladd, residing
at Glen Cove, in the town of Oyster Bay, in the
County of Nassau, respectfully sheweth. That your
petitioner is the Executrix, named in the last Will
and Testament of Edward W. Ladd, late of the town
of Oyster Bay, in the County of Nassau, deceased,
that the said last Will and Testament herewith pro-
duced relates to both real and personal property
and bears date the eleventh day of August, 1905,
and is signed at the end thereof by ~~Arthur H. Sligh~~
said Testator and by Paul H. Brown now residing
at Glen Cove aforesaid and by Arthur H. Sligh now
residing at Glen Cove aforesaid as subscribing witnesses
That the said deceased was at or immediately prior
to his death a resident of the town of Oyster Bay, in
the County of Nassau, and departed this life at said
town of Oyster Bay in said County of Nassau, on the
thirteenth day of August 1905.

Your petitioner further states that that the rules
all the heirs, all the next of kin, of said deceased testator
together with their representatives are as follows:

Your petitioner Louise Berry Wall Ladd the widow
of said deceased who resides at Glen Cove, in said town
of Oyster Bay in said County of Nassau.

Harvey Smith Ladd, a son of said deceased who
resides with your petitioner at Glen Cove in the town and
County last aforesaid.

Ellie Wall Ladd a daughter of said deceased who
resides with your petitioner at Glen Cove in the town
and County last aforesaid.

Your petitioner also shews that J. Frank Snyder
of the village of Glen Cove in said County of Nassau in
the State of New York, was designated by the said