

would stand up to the Benefit of the two youngest children known
and I request Adaline this being my last will in testimony
whereof I set my hand and seal in presence of
August

Thomas Brown Lawrence ^{his} signature ^{Sur}
Dabney Davis ^{his} signature ^{Sur} ^{Wm} Nable Ladd ^{Sur} ^{Died}
Dabney Davis ^{his} my Administrator

Bounty Land April Four 1855, then the last time and
testament of Nable Ladd dec was presented to Court for probate
and proven by the oaths of Lawrence Dabney Davis one of the
subscribers thereto and the Clerk of the County in 1855 his said
will was again presented for further probate and duly proven
by the oaths of Thomas Brown the other subscriber thereto and offered to be recorded, whereupon my hand set off in
May 20 1855

W. E. Taylor ^{his} signature

I now see my by the presence that I G. B. Trotman of the County
of Franklin State of Tennessee having this day made my last
will & testament which shall make all before void & of no
effect first I thin that all my negro Esty a Month a Gabriel
to Dennis be equally divided between my wife Sarah C. Trotman
& my two children Robert B. Trotman & Ferdinand Trotman at
my death that is I want my wife to receive her share immediately
that John B. Trotman shall be my Executor for my Estate
& Guardian for my children and that he make the best disposition
of my childrens share of property that he thinks proper until they
become of age. Second I thin that the balance of my property
be sold as soon as my death and that all my just debts be
paid & the remainder of the money to be divided equally between
my wife Sarah C. Trotman & my two children Robert B. Trotman
& Ferdinand Trotman. 3^d I thin it bequeath that my wife S. C.
Trotman live in the world with her brother Donald Forsay &
I thin that she & Adaline share my Broad Cloth Suit & my
death & I thin that my wife Sarah C. Trotman have my Watch
my chain & all that appertains to it at my death. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 1st day of March
in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred fifty five
Signed in the presence of

John B. Trotman

I hereby give and empower my Executor John B. Trotman to begin
or seal to any person my debt in Franklin State or established
in a private or public manner given under my hand & seal
March 1st 1855

Signed in the presence of

John B. Trotman

John B. Trotman

County Court May 20th 1855; In the last will & Testament
of Thomas B. Travers dec was commanded to count for probate and
was duly pronounced by the Oaths of James & Francis Whipple
the Sicks willing Testators thereto and ordered to be recorded.
Witness my hand at office May 15 1855
Wm E Taylor esq.

Copy of
Will of

State of Gunnison County of Transcaria, & Benjamin Travers
and Trustees of the County & State after said being aware in Body last of
Health & mind do make this my last will & Testament testis
First of all, I thank my God to the Lord who gave me in me Body
to my creation whom I shall hereafter appear to
my Burden in a Christian like manner & as teaching what
worldly goods it shall please God to bless me with I shall
in the following manner, Item 1, I wish all my just and
equitable debts paid out of my affecion money as I have
been used to do it is to be paid on Fulmen
Made his time as the Devil can best choose to satisfy said
debts. Item 2 I wish after my debts are paid that the remainder
of my property both Real & Personal shall go to my wife
Elizabeth Travers during her natural life Item 3 I wish my
said wife to have one third of the proceeds of all my personal
property to dispose of by her self as she may choose said
debris not to taxed off or until after the death of my said
wife Elizabeth Travers certain privileges granted to John
Travers out of Item 2 which is hereof mentioned "Item 4
I wish that my nephew John Travers have the privilege
by his keeping the following upon day of a year activating
a portion of my land of West Mtn." The field known
as the Sulphur Spring Field & also a portion of the field
called the Sage field. Those fields said John Travers is
to have free rights during the life time of my wife
Elizabeth provided they & he agree, provided they agree
my wife has the preference. Item 5 I also wish that after
the death of my wife that my land be sold on a credit
twelve months and that five hundred dollars of the proceeds of
the sale of the same be applied to the Law suit Chigdon v. the
said John Travers in the purchase of land for the use
thereof. Item 6 it is also that five hundred dollars
of the proceeds of the sale of said land be given to my wife
Jane D'Fonda. Item 7 I wish my heirs that
my Executor after the death of my wife sell at private
sale all of my negroes & that he sell them in families &
sell them to such persons or persons as shall treat them
humanely as the master of the slaves has said Negro
is of more importance to me than the price. Item 8 After
the death of my wife my Executor shall sell at the