

Thos J. Shells know all true by these presents that I James Shells of the
 Shire County of Trausheim & State of Tennessee do hereby nominate and
 appoint H. A. Harris of the same County & State attorney in fact to do for me in all of the premises
 herein after mentioned during my absence from home or cause
 of death to settle & deal for me as though I was personally
 present doing the same myself. First to call on my creditors
 or settle or sell in my name a debt due by note on
 Samuel Hill. Second a judgment on Francis Shells by confession
 before Jos. Hutchison of the Co of Lincoln, third a judgment
 against said Shells Harris is allowed to have full power
 to settle arbitrate or be sued in my name & he at full
 privilege to defend by counsel or otherwise in my name as
 he may see fit. Fourth that he have the full control of the
 present crop now in growth until it is harvested on my
 return & all stock and hand & subject at all times to the
 consultation of my wife. Fifth After all debts paid the said
 Harris is at full privilege & authorized to settle both present
 effects & my estate for the right title of my wife Elizabeth
 & I do hereby certify & ratify his acts & doing the
 as though I was personally present doing the same myself
 & I should not retain any knowledge of my death after 1861
 James Shaton C. E. Harris

Thomas Shells

County Court November Term 1865: Then the Last Will and
 Testament of Thos J. Shells was presented to Court for
 probate and duly proven by the oath of C. E. Harris a
 subscribing witness thereto & the handwriting of the other
 witnesses was proven by the oaths of Thos Shaton & said
 C. E. Harris & ordered to be recorded. Witness my hand
 at office Nov 19 1868

Thos Shaton Clerk

Albion Miss April 30th 1861. Dear Cousin: I received
 your letter two or three days ago was very glad to hear
 from you. I hope soon that you will soon be united
 with us in the defence of your Country. Our Company
 leaves today for Corinth Miss there we will wait for
 your there or Miss quite unclothed please find my account
 due the town of Auburn for the last two years it
 is a good deal about say anything about it to any one
 I am ashamed to let you see these doubt but any one
 see them at all. Please pay them as soon as you can
 write to each one about it as soon as you get the
 & give them some encouragement for I am going to fight
 today but they do not stand anything about me at all

they have confidence in me and I don't want them to loose
 it. Write to them soon please each one separate their names
 are on the heads of the accounts. Tell them you will pay
 them as soon as you can I want to pay all my debts
 if possible they owe to all I expect to get killed in the
 next fight before pay all my debts for me & if any thing
 is left after I am dead it is yours you may have it. Tell
 those men down here that I have got plenty of it if could only
 get it collected. Good bye we are at 2 o'clock this evening
 for Battle. Tell Sister Good Bye for me & every one I should
 like for you to send me 50.00 dollars if you can to comfort
 we will stay there a week or more
 Yours &
 J.R. Shop.

County Court Nov Term 1865.

Then the Judge after the will of J.R. Shop was presented to Court
 for probate and the handwriting of said J.R. Shop was duly
 proven by the oaths of John Whitwood John S. Enrich & George
 St. Haines. Attest this 18 day of Nov 1865
 Thos. Short C.S.

Mrs Ann
 Finch
 Will

For and in consideration of the Natural Love and affection I
 bore for my grandson Richard E. Shop Son of my daughter
 Mary Ann Brazelton as well as in consideration of his
 affection and also his attention to me, I do now hereby give
 transfer and convey to my said grandson Richard E. all the
 property of every kind the description I now have or may
 have at my death I mean to include, & convey realty
 personally money notes & accounts to choose and a choice
 I to have & control my estate during my life as tho this
 deed was not made this deed to take effect at my
 death & irrevocable at my pleasure. In testimony
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 11/18/65
 Attest P. Durney J.B. Brazelton Ann Finch

County Court Nov Term 1865. Then the last will of Testator
 Ann Finch was presented to court and duly proven by the
 oaths of P. Durney & J.B. Brazelton subscribing witnesses there to &
 ordained to be recorded. Attest my hand at office the
 18 day of Nov 1865
 Thos. Short C.S.