

1860-009

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

PETITION OF GURLEY, EXECUTOR OF SPARK

5/1860

other surnames: Withers,
Sparkes

At a Court held for County of Southampton on the 20th day of October 1857.

On the motion of John M. Gurley by his attorney and for reasons appearing to the Court, it is ordered that the account reported by Commissioner Shands of the said Gurley's transactions as Executor of William A. Sparks dec^d and the exceptions filed thereto be removed to the Circuit Court of this County.

Attest

Teste. L. R. Edwards Ck

ex parte.
Gusley Esq: Spark

} decem.

To be entered

R. H. Baker

Nov. Term 1854.

Jno M Gurley Esq. of Wm. A. Stark - ac'd.
on account removed from the equity Court of
Southampton, & exceptions filed by L. R. Edwards.

This day this cause came on to be heard
on the said account and ^{the} exceptions thereto,
and was argued by counsel. On consideration
whereof, the Court without deciding any other
questions, involved in this cause, doth adjudge
order and decree, that the said accounts be
recommended to a Commissioner, of this Court, for
examination and statement - and the said Court
will include in his report.

1st an account of all the transactions of Jno M
Gurley as Esq. of Wm. A. Stark - up to the date of said settlement

2nd. The time of the Testator's death, and of the
Executor's qualification -

3rd The several periods at which Gurley sold the
property real and personal, of the Testator and
in what character the same was sold -

4th The agency account of Gurley, showing in
the usual way, ~~showing~~ the date of the several
payments; showing the amount of principal; the
amount of principal with lawful interest; and the
amount of principal with 12 per. cent interest

The Court will report the ~~said~~ accounts and
statements, to this Court with any matters, specially
stated and pertinent by himself or which
may be required by either of the parties to be so
stated.

Burly Geo. Sparks

Southampton Circuit Court, November Term 1834.

John M. Gurley, Executor of William A. Spark dec'd.

On account removed from the County Court of
Southampton (and exceptions filed by J. R. Edwards.

This day this cause came on to be heard with said account
and the exceptions filed thereto, (and was argued by Counsel.

On consideration whereof, the Court without deciding any
other question involved in this cause, doth adjudge, order
and decree that the said accounts be recommended to a
Commissioner of this Court, for examination & settlement,
and the said Commissioner will include in his report:-

1st An account of all the transactions of Jno M. Gurley as
Exor. of W^m A. Spark up to the date of said settlement.

2nd The time of the testator's death (and of the Executor's
qualification.

3rd The several periods at which Gurley sold the property,
real and personal of the testator, (and in what character the
same was sold.

4th The Agency account of Gurley, showing in the usual way
the date of the several payments; showing the amount of
principal, the amount of principal and lawful interest; and
the amount of principal with twelve per cent interest.

The Commissioner will report the said accounts and statements
to this Court with any matter specially stated deemed
pertinent by himself, or which may be required by
either of the parties to be so stated.

Teste,

Nancy S. Howard, D.C.

Guley vior Speak.
Comms notice.

Feby 20th 1855

Presented on each by
delivering a copy of the
within
J. V. Edwards Dept for
J. Wells Shff.

Commissioner's office.

Jerusalem, Va. Jan'y 1st 1855.

To John M. Gurley Executor of William A. Spark dec^d and
L. R. Edwards.

You are hereby notified, that I have fixed upon the 20th day of February next, to take and settle, at my office, the following accounts required to be taken by a decree of the Circuit Court of Southampton rendered at Nov^r Term 1854. to-wit:

1st. An account of all the transactions of Jno. M. Gurley as Exor of William A. Spark up to the date of said settlement.
2nd. The several periods at which Gurley sold the property, real and personal of the Testator, and in what character the same was sold.

3^d. The time of the testator's death and of the executor's qualification.

4th. The agency account of Gurley, shewing in the usual way the date of the several payments, showing the amount of principal, the amount of principal and lawful interest, and the amount of principal with twelve per cent interest.

at which time and place you are required to attend.

Given under my hand as Commissioner in
Chancery of the said court, the day and year first aforesaid.
Wm. W. Cobb Comm^r

Edwards H

nd } Sp.

Sparks Co

To 28 April 1955

Entered
H. B. Edwards Dept.
for G. H. H. Hoff.

The Commonwealth of Virginia - To the Sheriff of Southampton County. Greeting -
We command you to Summon John Moore Jr. M.D. Sumner. Wm. Mumfey.

to appear ^{at the Courthouse} before the Judge of our ~~Quince Court~~ ^{Circuit Court} of Southampton County at the ~~Courthouse~~ on the
day of 28th April Term 1855 to testify and the truth to speak in behalf of L.R. Edwards
vs. W. J. Scrull Ex. et. M. Scrull dec^d - in a certain matter of controversy in our ^{Circuit} ~~Said Court~~,
of ^{Said County} depending and undetermined between John W. Gurley Ex. W. A. Sparks Plaintiff
and Said Edwards &c Defendant
and have them there this writ. Witnesses Littleton R. Edwards Clerk of our said Court at the
Courthouse this 21st day of April 1855 in the 79th year of the
Commonwealth.

L.R. Edwards Clk

Edwards &c
T^y Deposition
Spark's Exor

Came to hand Sealed May 2^d 1855.

To John M. Gurley Esq. of William A Sparklee?

Take notice that on the 30th day of April 1855 between the hours of nine in the forenoon and six in the afternoon of that day at the office of Messrs. Gholsons, Jones & Mann, attorneys, in the City of Petersburg Va. we shall proceed to take the depositions of Doct. Wethers & others to be used as evidence for us in the Circuit Court of Southampton County in support of our exceptions to your account of your executorial proceedings on your testators estate reported to the said Court by Commissioner Cobb, and if from any cause the taking of the said depositions shall not be commenced or being commenced should not be completed on that day, the taking of the same will be adjourned from time to time until the said depositions shall be completed.

Given under our hands this 21st day of April 1855.

L. R. Edwards

Wm. J. Sebrill Esq. of

A. M. Sebrill Esq.

April 23^d We acknowledge service of the within notice
Chambliss Proseburn &
attys for
J. M. Searles

Deposition, taken, in pursuance of the annexed notice, at the office of Messrs Gholson, Jones and Mann, Attorneys, in the City of Petersburg, Virginia, on Monday the 30th day of April A.D. 1855, between the hours of nine in the forenoon and six in the afternoon, to be used as evidence in behalf of S R Edwards and Wm J Sebrell Exors of S. M. Sebrell deceased, in the Circuit Court of Southampton County in support of their exceptions to the account of John M Gurley Exor. of William A Sparks deceased, reported to said Court, by Commissioner Cobb.

Present James Alfred Jones Esq Attorney for S R Edwards and Wm J Sebrell Exors of S. M. Sebrell deceased

Dr Thomas Withers, a witness of lawful age, introduced in behalf of Edwards and Sebrell Exors and being duly sworn according to law, deposes as follows

Question 1st by James Alfred Jones Esq, atty for Edwards &c

What is the name and surname of your body servant?

Answer. His name is Tom, his surname is Sparks.

Question 2nd by the same

From whom, and when did you purchase him? What did you give for him? Did you purchase him for cash or on credit?

Answer. I purchased him from James Magel on the thirty first day of May. One thousand, eight hundred and fifty one and paid five hundred dollars cash for him. The bill of sale from Magel to me is now in my possession, to which I refer, to ascertain the date of purchase and the amount paid for him

Question 3rd by the same.

To whom had the slave belonged before the person from whom you bought him?

Answer. ~~William~~. A Sparks estate, as I was informed by W W Townes Esqr, Agent of John W Gurley, Exor of said Sparks, from whom I hired him in the year 1850.

Question 4th by the same

What hire did you pay for him in 1850?

Answer. I do not recollect.

And further this deponent saith not.

Thomas Withers.

State of Virginia
City of Petersburg, to wit

I John Mann, Notary Public in and for the said City in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that the foregoing deposition of Dr Thomas Withers, was duly taken, sworn to and subscribed before me at the time and place set forth in the Caption thereto.

Given under my hand this 30th day of April 1855.

John Mann

Notary's Fee \$1.50
Charged to L R Edwards
and A M Sebrell's Exors

Notary Public

J. G. Maudslayi
Dec 5. 1848

Due from the United States to W. A. Spark - \$ 1442.78
Due to the United States from the same 1010.18.
actual balance from the United States to W. A. Spark's Est. at his death \$ 432.60
amt. of negotiable note & int. & Costs - \$ 150.00
amt. paid to the Est. by J. G. M. \$ 276.60 432.60

J. G. Maudslayi.

Treasury Department
Second And. Office
December 5, 1848.

Sir.

A settlement of the accounts of W. A. Sparks, late Master, U.S.A., made in this Office on the 4th and confirmed this day shows a balance in his favor of \$ 1442.78 - \$70 items of suspension having been brought to his credit in this settlement; as he is indebted to the U.S. in the sum of \$1010.18 on acc^t of monies rec^d for duties in Mexico; the Comptroller directs a Requisition for the balance must not issue to his representatives until his account with fee of War is closed.

I have the honor to be
Very respectfully
Your Obed. Servt.
Wm Wallace
2^d And

Hon. J. Y. Mason
Secretary Navy

A Rough estimate
of J. M. Gurneys
agent acct. for Dr.
Wm A Sparks
1848

List of Claims paid off by Jno. M. Gentry as
Agent for Wm. A. Sparks, from April 1847. to June
1st 1848 at which date he departed this life

✓ To Cash p ^d Thos Ridley June 1/1848. L	316	48		
Int. on the same June 1/1850. 1. 7.	30	06	346	54
✓ To Cash p ^d J. R. Anderson July 30. 1847 L	402	79		
Int. to June 1/1850. 2. 3.	54	37	456	16
✓ To Cash p ^d Rich ^d A Crump Nov. 9 th 1847 L	859	57		
Int. to June 1/1850 2. 12.	109	16	968	73
✓ To Cash p ^d Davis Barre June 3/1848 L	6150	07		
Int. to June 3/1850. 2 Years	18	00	168	07
✓ To Cash p ^d Eliza Johnson Nov. Dec. 25/1848 L	52	00		
Int. to ^{Dec} June 25 th 1849 - 6 Years	18	72	70	72
✓ To. debt due Jno. M. Gentry April 7. 1847 L	419	48		
Int. to June 7. 1850 2 Yrs. 9 Mos.	119	21	488	69
✓ To Cash p ^d Rich ^d H. Brannon June 18. 1848. L	2122	48		
Int. to June 18. 1850. 2 Years.	254	19	2377	17
✓ To Cash p ^d 2 ap ^{ts} Clark, Barham June 1 st 1849 L	104	36		
" do " 1 ap ^{ts} S. Barham same time	23	27		
Int. to June 1/1850 1 Yr.	127	63	135	28
✓ To Cash p ^d Wm. J. Subrell 24 th May 2/1848 L	15	82		
Int. June 1 st 1850 1 Yr. 8 Mos.	1	58	17	40
✓ To. Cash p ^d Subrell ap ^{ts} of Henry May 28. 1845 L	27	08		
Int. to June 1/1850. 4 Yrs. 8 Months -	7	58	34	66
✓ To Cash p ^d James Magist. June 1/1848 L	74	00		
Int. to June 1/1850. 2 Years -	8	88	82	88
✓ To Cash p ^d 12 different ap ^{ts} .	100	84		
Int. on same for 1 Yr 6 Months	9	00	109	84
✓ To Cash p ^d Subrell Gen ^l June 1/1845 L	34	55	535	14
Int. to June 1/1850 5 Years	10	36	44	71
Eliza. Higgins and omitted \$12. L			540	085

An account of Sales of the Estate of William A. Spark
deceased. Sold by Jas. M. Gurley Executor, November 22. 1844
on a credit of nine months -

Articles Sold	Name of Purchaser	\$	cts
Cart & Wholes	to Geo. M. Gurley	3	24
cat cutter	to James W. Murfrees note	10	
2 plow hoes &	to John Holloman note	62	
1 pr. Traces	to Jas. W. Murfrees note	12	
Grub & Wending hoe	to ~~James~~ Parker	43	
& Pryer hook & wending hook.	to Binja Levaning pr.	13	
1 Shaf plow & coultter	to Geo. M. Gurley	25	
& Shet Iron	to Jacob Lano note	38	
Iron Bands	to Robt. Pittow pr.	86	
& Gig Saddle & Buckles	to Jacob Lano note	05	
3 Hat Hogs at \$5.00 each	to Mrs. Parker	15	00
1 Large pot	to Geo. M. Gurley	90	
1 pot & Hooks	do	50	
1 Dutch oven & Tea kettle &c	do	25	
1 Pail	do	50	
1 Safe	do	80	
1 pr. Saddle Bags	to Geo. Moore	50	
1 Cooper kettle	to ~~James W. Murfrees~~ Logans	75	
1 Large kettle	to William Edwards	1	15
1 Set of pot Racks &c	to Geo. M. Gurley	1	35
1 Grind Stone	to do	1	00
70 ^{bls} Corn by the bl. \$1.93	to Mrs. Parker	19	30
20 " " 1.93	to Geo. M. Gurley	38	60
20 " " 1.90	to do	38	00
from Residue Long Corn 1.80	to do		
5. Short Corn by the bl. 1.15	to do	5	75
Shucks	to Peter Goodson note	3	05
Milk Dairy	to A. L. Moore	2	00
One half of the wheat thresher	to Jas. W. Murfrees note	20	00
1 Stack blade fodder N ^o 1	to Geo. M. Gurley	4	40
1 do do " 2	to Dr. Strong	3	25
1 do do " 3	to Geo. M. Gurley	1	99
1 do do " 4	to do	4	00
1 do do " 5	to Dr. Strong	4	00
& 1 do do N ^o 1 in Scott field	to P. Goodson note	3	62
& 1 do do " 2 do	to do note	3	87
Amount Carried Over		180	84

Articles Sold	Name of purchaser	\$	cts
Amount Brought Over		\$ 180	84
1/3 of a Blade Black in Gunfield	v. P. Goodman	note	1 01
1 Saddle & ~~Bridle~~	v. Robt. Pritlow		5 05
1 Desk	v. do		3 25
1 Book Case	v. E. Parker		40
1 walnut chair	v. Dr. Strong		15
1 Bed & Matras	v. H. D. Moore		18 00
1 Bottle Case	v. Jas. Williams		2 05
1 wash Stand	Jas. W. Masenburgh		1 00
1 Bed & furniture	v. Robt. Holland	note	14 00
1 Bed ~~Head~~	v. P. Goodman	note	1 63 1/2
1 Looking Glass	v. Jas. Williams		7 1/2
1 Table	v. Ino. M. Gurley		12 1/2
1 dark Bay horse	v. Ino. W. Gurley		95
1 Bridle & Martingale	v. Ino. W. Gurley		1 1/2
1 Cow	v. Wm. Cobb		8 50
1 Travelling Bag	v. Ino. M. Gurley		1 15
1 pr. Spurs	v. do		1 01
1 indian rubber cloth	v. Ino. W. Gurley		2 05
1 Rope	v. P. Goodman	note	33
1 calf skin	v. Wm. Cobb		1 01
1 Sow & six pigs	v. Jas. W. Murfu	note	6 25
1 Shot Gun	v. Ino. W. Gurley		17 25
50 ~~Whit~~ By the Bar	v. Elisha Joyner	note	3 75
20 do do do	70¢ Burnett Sereus		14 00
10 do do do	74¢ Jas. Williams		7 45
5 do do do	75¢ Harrison Joyner		3 75
5 do do do	75¢ Robt. Holland	note	3 75
5 do do do	75¢ Harrison Joyner		3 75
6 do do do	74¢ Mrs. Parker		4 44
10 do do do	73 note Merryday Holland	note	7 30
10 do do do	73 v. Gillum Edwards		7 30
5 do do do	73 v. P. Goodman	note	3 15
10 do do do	72 v. Thro Cobb	note	7 20
5 do do do	73 v. Elisha Joyner	note	3 65
10 do do do	70 v. Ino. Moore		7 00
17 Residue do do do	71 v. Robt. Pritlow		12 05
1 Sofa	v. Ino. W. Gurley		10 00
1 Tea Table	v. Ino. M. Gurley		3 00
1 Bed & furniture	v. Robt. Edwards		20 50
Amount Brought forward		\$ 484	87

Articles Sold	Name of purchaser	\$	cts
Amount Brought forward		\$ 484	87
1 Secretary & book Case	v. Ino. Moore		8 55
Shovel & Tongs	v. E. Parker		1 40
1 pr. and Irons	v. Gillum Edwards		70
6 Chairs first choice 76 each	v. Ino. M. Gurley		45 60
6 do do @ 41¢	v. P. Goodman	note	2 46
6 do do do @ 41¢	v. do	note	2 46
1 Rocking chair	v. Robt. Holland	note	61
Raisers & Sticks	v. Ino. M. Gurley		2 50
1 Money ~~Box~~	v. Ino. M. Gurley		0 07
1 Set of surgical instruments	v. Dr. Strong		6 00
1 Set of do	v. Ino. W. Gurley		37
1 Screw driver	v. Robt. Edwards		1 00
1 Kettle flask Sanat etc.	v. M. Holland	note	13
1 pr. Lamps	v. Jas. W. Murfu	note	50
1 ~~Bed~~ Coat & Matras	v. Ino. M. Gurley		2 36
1 Bed & furniture	v. P. Goodman	note	15 00
1 Small Table	v. E. Parker		1 25
1 Side Board	v. P. Goodman	note	4 11
1 pr. and irons	v. Jas. W. Murfu	note	12
1 pr. Pitchers	v. Mrs. Parker		25
1 set Coasters	v. do		1 00
1 pr. decanter	v. do		2 50
1 Tea spoons	v. Robt. Pritlow	paid	3 62
1 Table Spoons	v. Ino. Moore		10
1 set Cups & Saucers sugar dish etc.	v. Jas. Gibbs	paid	15
1 set plates	v. Mrs. Parker		50
2 dishes	v. do		15
wine Glasses & water	v. Jas. Gibbs	paid	15
dining Tables	v. Mrs. Parker		5 25
1 pr. and Irons	v. do		70
1 Shovel and tongs	v. Wm. Cobb		1 30
1 Large Jug	v. Robt. Pritlow		25
1 pr. waiters	v. Mrs. Parker		1 05
1 set knives and forks	v. do		50
1 Carpet	v. Wm. Cobb		1 80
1 ~~Set of~~ Flat in the River	v. Jacob Leone	note	5 00
1 Set of bottles @ 2¢ each	v. Robt. Pritlow	paid	20
1 do ~~Residue~~ do @ 2¢	v. A. Gardner	paid	20
1 do ~~Residue~~ do @ 2¢	v. Robt. Pritlow	60 paid	40
Amount Brought over		\$ 545	00

Articles Sold	Amount Brought Over.	Name of purchaser	\$	cts
1 Large table		r Mrs M Gurley	545	09
202 files		r J. W. Murfee		72 1/2
Spaying needles &c		r Job Holland		14
Horse flumes		r P. Goodman		31
1 pr. Spectacles		r Mrs M Gurley		15
1 Soap		r Mrs W. Gurley		09
1 Screw wrench		r Mrs M Gurley		10
1 pr. and Irons		r J. W. Murfee		01
Shovel and Tongs		~~r J. W. Murfee~~		76
1 Small Yonke		r E. Partin		55
1 Large do		r do		60
1/2 Bushels		r Mrs Partin		1 25
Lot of Old Fodder		r Mrs M Gurley		1 28
ash & sand		r J. W. Murfee		2 00
1 Mattress		r James W. Murfee		06
2 ~~Small~~ Sticks		r Mr. Partin		2 00
2 by Mrs		r James W. Murfee		1 00
1 English orc. Note		r Mrs M		1 00
		do do		12 1/2
			555	52

1830. Sale of Mare Thomas to James Magit 200 00

Account of
Sales
at Dr. Sparks
Est.

Sale of Wm A Sparks Slaves July 15. 1849

name of slave	name of purchaser	1844	05
Marion & Chito Amerson	George A. H. Amerson	557	50
Man Kit	do do	372	00
Mass Robin	do do	600	00
Juo	do do	600	00
boy Elie Livi	~~George A. H. Amerson~~	377	00
" Riddick	Thos Scott	222	50
Girl Martha	Geo S. & M. Amerson	278	50
boy Solomon	Jos. H. Burkham	560	00
man Henry	Robt. Ridley	676	00
" Orris	do do	715	00
old man Juo	Jos M. Girdley	115	50
		<u>\$5065.00</u>	

1 Man Tom	Jos. M. Girdley	408	00
1 old Frank	do do	216	00
		<u>3684.00</u>	

1 Jos. Shood & Sons	Robt. Parker	344	
2 Jos. Shood & Sons	do do	70	
1 Jos. Shood & Sons	do do	69	
3 Large Baskets	Jos. M. Girdley	07	
1 Vulture Skin	do do	24	
Herbates	do do	24	
Bird with Bird Net	do do	04	
1 Bird	do do	49	
1 Chest	do do	20	
1 Shot bag & Flank	Jos. Girdley	81	

Appraisment of the negroes belonging to Dr. Shunk's
Estate, Jan'y 15/1849

Name of Negro	Value	Dollars	Cts
Orvis		700	
Robbin		600	00
John (Young)		600	00
Kit		500	00
Henry		600	00
Solomon		500	00
Levi		300	00
Tom		600	00
John (old)		200	00
Maria		400	00
Citha		200	00
Riddick		175	00
Amanda		150	00

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Account

Account Current of

William A Sparks Est.

1851 Oct 8th Ret?

Oct. 8th Removed to the circuit
Court.

" Nov. Court

1852 May. Court

1854. Nov. Dec. Term

Southampton.

1860 May. Dismissed

William et Sparks

In account with John M Gentry his agent

	\$	cts	\$	cts
To cash paid Jas D Wapentung 22 nd Feby 1848 Taxes Tickets	153	41		
for Bacon &c				
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 at 12 per cent per annum	16	36		
" cash paid Esquimaux March 20 th 1848 account	5	00		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 9 mos 25 days		48		
" Amount of debt due John M Gentry & Co due 7 th of April 1848 by note in writing	390	68		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 9 mo 8 days at 12 per cent	83	04		
" cash paid Jeph S Barham 1 st Jan'y 1849 open account	69	11		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 15 days at 12 per cent		34		
" cash paid Black & Pope 1 st Jan'y 1849 account	43	25		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 15 days at 12 per cent		31		
" cash paid Jeph S Barham 1 st Jan'y 1849 account	23	27		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 15 days at 12 per cent		11		
" cash paid W B Mieneyen Dec-22 nd 1846 account	1	47		
" interest		02		
" cash paid Jos Holland 22 nd Feby 1848 due bill	4	88		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 10 mos 20 days at 12 per cent		49		
" cash paid James Magit 1 st Jan'y 1849 certain of note in hands	74	00		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 15 days at 12 per cent		37		
" cash paid Wm Griffin ex 17 th Jan'y 1848 on bond	203	00		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 12 mos at 12 per cent	34	36		
" cash paid Wm Griffin ex 18 th August 1848 on bond	37	62		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 5 mos at 12 per cent	1	17		
" cash paid John Moran 31 st March 1848 account	65	03		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 9 mos 18 days at 12 per cent	4	24		
" cash paid Davis Barret Jan'y 3 rd 1848 bond	150	07		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 12 days at 12 per cent	18	60		
" cash paid N. M. Selwell 9 th Jan'y 1 st 1848 bond	40	76		
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 15 days at 12 per cent	3	00		
Amount carried over	1413	74		

D. Cr

	Dr	Cr	Dr	Cr
Amount brought forward	1413 34			
To cash paid Thomas Widley June 1 st 1848 bond	316 80			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 6 mos 15 days at 12 per cent	20 56			
" cash paid Elizabeth Johnston 1 st Jan'y 1848 bond	67 60			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 15 days at 12 per cent	8 45			
" cash paid Sebrill's adm ^r 23 rd May 1848 account	15 82			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 8 mos at 12 per cent	1 26			
" cash paid Shall apigne of Dewary 1 st Jan'y 1848 bond	31 27			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 15 days at 12 per cent	3 90			
" cash paid J. H. Anderson July 30 th 1847 negotiable note	402 79			
" interest to Jan'y 15 th 1849 1 yr 5 mos 15 days at 12 per cent	70 48			
" cash paid Nancy James 25 th Dec ^r 1847 negotiable	27 62			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 year 18 days at 12 per cent	3 45			
" cash paid Rich ^d B. Brown 18 th Jan'y 1848 bond	2122 49			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 11 mos 27 days at 12 per cent	252 59			
" cash paid Mr Brown Dec ^r 25 th 1847 account	45 79			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 20 days at 12 per cent	5 79			
" cash paid H. Engum 21 st June 1847 account	5 00			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 year 7 mos at 12 per cent	9 5			
" cash paid Bishop & Argubant 15 th Jan'y 1849 account	10 00			
" cash paid Eliza Higgins 3 rd Jan'y 1848 account	12 50			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 12 mos at 12 per cent	1 44			
" cash paid Mr Murphy 1 st Jan'y 1848 account	3 00			
" interest	13			
" cash paid sundry small accounts 1 st Jan'y 1848	9 87			
" interest 10 months at 12 per cent	1 18			
" cash paid Rich ^d A. Combs Nov ^r 9 th 1847 bond	859 57			
" interest to 15 th Jan'y 1849 1 yr 2 mos 6 days at 12 per cent	122 04			
To whole amount paid as agent	5836 42			
By this amount received as agent		1162 50		
To commissions on the same at 5 per cent	57 10			
By balance		4742 02		
	5894 02	5894 02		
By this amount due John M. Gentry as agent 15 th Jan'y 1849		4742 02		

L. R. Edwards who is interested in the account of
John M. Husby Executor of Wm A Spack except to the
report of ^{the} Commissioners, for ^{an} other reasons in addition
to those stated by the Commissioners (Shands) because
he allowed the Executor Commissioners on his receipts; not-
withstanding he had failed to render his accounts accor-
ding to law.

Nov 9th 1852.

L. R. Edwards by
H. Holman & Sons counsel.

The Estate of William A Spark Dec^d

In account with John Mc Gurley his executor

		Dr		Cr		Balances	
		\$	cts	\$	cts	\$	cts
1848							
	By cash from sale of land this year			800	00		
	" cash from the United States government			432	50		
	To cash paid John G Mason on Note	157	00				
	" cash paid Jesse Drury for crying property	9	00				
Oct 24 th	" cash paid James D Napentung on bond	3972	16				
	" cash paid auctioneer of the land	5	00				
	" cash paid Taxes	4	68				
	" cash paid clerks tickets	26	73				
	" cash paid clerks tickets	4	46				
	" cash paid auctioneer for selling negroes	3	00				
	" cash paid costs of suit in Sussex	24	18				
	" cash paid Lem ^e P Nicholson Med ^e bill	13	00				
	" commissions on \$1232.40 at 5 per cent	61	63				
	By balance			3048	24		
		4280	84	4280	84		
Dec 31	To balance due the executor	3048	24				
1849	By cash from sale of chattels			3	26		
Aug 15	" cash from sale of negroes			5152	00		
	" cash from sale of personal estate			555	53		
	" cash from sale of land			900	00		
	To cash paid clerks tickets	5	01				
	" cash paid sheriffs tickets	5	00				
	" cash paid sheriffs tickets	7	00				
	" cash paid Hanison D Moore	1	00				
	" cash paid Adams Ex ^r on bond	66	14				
	" cash paid George W Comp on bond	1400	00				
	" This amount retained by the executor which he paid and advanced as the agent of W ^m A Spark This amount includes the principal and interest at the rate of 12 per cent up to the time of payment Amounts carried over	4742	02				
		9325	01	7042	78		

		Dr		Cr		Balance	
		\$	¢	\$	¢	\$	¢
1849	Amounts brought forward	9325		7643	76		
	To commissions on \$7042.78 @ 5% per cent	352	13				
	Interest on balance due Ex ^r last year	182	89				
	By balance			2817	25		
		9860	03	9860	03		
Dec 31 1850	To balance due the executor	2817	25				
	By cash from sale of land due this year			800	00		
	" cash from sale of negro Tom			200	00		
	To cash paid Mrs Manfey Court costs of warrants	4	13				
	" cash paid Charles tickets	4	50				
	" cash paid Jos Mamy m ^{ch} bill	4	00				
	" cash paid James Magit on note to which he was security for Spark and which Magit paid	270	17				
	" interest on balance due Ex ^r last year	169	03				
	" commissions on \$1000 @ 5% per cent	50	00				
	By balance			3320	08		
		3320	08	3320	08		
Dec 31 1851	To balance due the executor	2320	08				
	To cash paid Richard A Combs under a decree vs Spark as Ex ^r of C. Rockwell	490	00				
	" cash paid Richard A Combs under a decree vs Spark as Ex ^r of C. Rockwell	104	73				
	" cash paid George B Combs balance due on bond	1410	01				
Sept 20	To balance due the executor with interest from this day	4324	83				
The executor states that there is a bond due from M^{rs} J. Manfey of the sum of \$1500 payable in the year 1853 and a debt due from Edward Diggs and his wife Frances for about \$1500 which is now being sued for the executor does not know whether these debts will ever be collected.							

but intends using every caution to recover them and if collected will account for them.

The commissioner states that this account as above stated is made out in the above form at the request of the executor John M. Gundry. The facts in regard to this estate are these. On the 4th of April 1847 William A. Sparks executed the following powers of attorney copies of which are herein inserted at the request of the parties in the words and figures following to wit:

I hereby constitute and appoint John M. Gundry my lawful attorney for me and in my name to sign all notes collect all monies due me either individually or as executor of the estate of C. Rockwell and to sell any property held by me which he may deem necessary to pay all my liabilities. He is also hereby empowered to sell the tract of land wherein I now live and purchased by one of E. C. Bryant and to make a deed for the same which deed shall be binding upon in all respects as if signed by myself. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix my seal This 4th day of April 1847

Teste John Moore jr
Edward Diggs

Wm A Sparks (Seal)

Whereas I have appointed this day John M. Gundry my attorney to settle and arrange all my business as well individual as that appertaining to the estate of C. Rockwell, now I do hereby agree upon all settlements of assets or business appertaining to the estate of C. Rockwell he shall receive such commissions as I should have been entitled to if such business had been settled by me in person, and upon all monies not paid and paid out for me in any individual capacity, he shall receive five per cent commissions and in every case where he may find it necessary to make any advance for me in money he shall receive upon such advance 12 per cent for interest until repaid. The property to remain subject to his personal control till all liabilities which he may have incurred shall be paid except in the event of his death in that case to be subject to the control of myself or any other agent whom I may appoint. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal This 4th day of April 1847

John Moore jr

Wm A Sparks (Seal)

Under these powers of attorney John M Gentry proceeded to pay the debts and collect all monies due the said Wm A Spark to a large amount as will appear by an agency account settled by me and himself filed marked A and reported as a part of this account in which the said Gentry charges twelve per cent upon all advances made by him from the time of his doing so up to the 15th of Jan'y 1849 when he says he sold the negroes of Wm A Spark and paid himself Totten & Edwards a party interested in the estate appeared before the commissioners and insisted that the agency should not run beyond the lifetime of the said Spark his (Gentry's) powers thus ceasing this objection was sustained by the commissioners to which the Executor by counsel excepted

The executor insisted that under his powers of attorney he was entitled to be substituted to all the rights of bona creditors whose bonds he had paid and that as to these debts he was a special creditor against the estate on this point the commissioners agreed with the executor to which the said Totten & Edwards excepted

The commissioners state further that the said G. R. Edwards objected to all the advances made by the said Gentry under the powers as showing a usurious consideration that all monies paid by Gentry as agent for Spark being furnished on a usurious contract should be thrown out of the account this objection was sustained by the commissioners and to this the Executor by his counsel excepted

The commissioners report the following account in accordance with the above and what he believes to be the law

The Estate of William A Spark Dec^d

An account with John M Gentry his Executor

		Dr		Cr		Interest
		\$	cts	\$	cts	\$ cts
1848						
	By cash This year from sale of land			8 60	00	
	" cash from The United States Government			4 32	60	
	To cash paid Son of Mason on note	155	00			
	" cash paid Cape Henry for buying property	9	00			
Oct 4	" cash paid Jas D Chapman on bond	3972	16			
	" cash paid Auctioneer of the land	5	00			
	" cash paid Taxes	4	68			
	" cash paid Clubs tickets	21	73			
	" cash paid Clubs tickets	4	46			
	" cash paid Auctioneer for selling negroes	5	00			
	" cash paid costs of suit in Supr	24	18			
	" cash paid June P Nicholson mch ^g fee	12	00			
	" commissions on \$1200.00 at 5 per cent	61	63			
	By balance			3048	24	
		4280	84	4280	84	
Dec 31	To balance due the executor	3048	24			
1849	By cash from sale of chattels			3	26	
Jan'y 15	" cash from sale of negroes			5684	00	
August 22	" cash from sale of personal estate			535	52	
	" cash from sale of land			300	00	
	To cash paid clubs tickets	5	61			
	" cash paid Sheriff's tickets	5	00			
	" cash paid Sheriff's tickets	7	00			
	" cash paid Harrison D Morn appraisal	1	00			
	" cash paid Adams Ex ^r on bond	15	12			
	" cash paid George Mc Connip on bond	2450	00			
	" commissions on \$7048.78 at 5 per cent	352	13			
	" interest on \$3972.16 for 3 mos 10 days			53	20	
	By from \$ Totten 1848 & 15 th Jan'y 1849			53	20	
	" balance	3041	46			
	Amount carried over	7042	78	7042	78	

		Dr		Cr		Interest	
		\$	cts	\$	cts	p.	cts
1849		7042	78	7042	78		
Dec-31	1850	Amounts Brought forward					
				3041	40		
				800	00		
				200	00		
		4	43				
		4	50				
		4	50				
		270	67				
		50	00				
		2707	67				
		3041	46	3041	46	132	48
Dec-31	1851			2707	67	132	48
		490	00				
		104	43				
		1410	01				
		702	92				
		2707	67	2707	67	132	48
Sept 20				825	40		
The commission reports further that there is a bond of \$500 due from A. G. Mabry payable in the year 1853 and a note due from Edwara Diggs and his wife Fanny for about \$4500 which is now being sued for. The executor states that he does not know whether these debts will ever be collected but intends using every exertion to recover them and if collected will account for them.							

for them

The commission further states that in this account he does not allow the executor the amount the amount which he paid as the agent of Wm A Spark but objects it on the ground of saying he did not allow the executor interest on the balance due him the 31st of Dec^r 1848 for the whole year but allowed interest on the amount of \$3972.15cts from the 4th of October 1848 till the 15th of Jan^y 1849 when he received a large sum of money from the sale of negroes not thinking it just that the estate should pay interest the whole year when the executor was only out of his money for the time above mentioned.

The commission has been required by L. B. Edwards to state specially that on the 15th day of Jan^y 1849 Wm A Spark with Wm Rochelle, L. B. Edwards, John W. Gentry and N. M. Selmer his securities executed a note to Sepe Bank for the sum of one thousand and thirty dollars. That since the death of the said Spark Rochelle and Selmer the said Gentry and Edwards have been sued and judgement obtained against them as surviving obligors and that on the 15th of July 1850 the said Gentry fully paid off and discharged the execution which issued upon the said judgement and the said Edwards insists that in the settlement of the executor's account the estate should be charged with the amount thus paid by said Gentry he as executor having monies in his hands at the time sufficient to pay the same.

The commission is required likewise to state that that the testator by his will directs his executor to make sale of an interest which he had in a valuable Steamboat, and the executor has failed to account for any money arising from such sale or to give any account of the same and that the executor has failed to account for other effects which have, or by due diligence ought to have come to his hands all of which is

Respectfully submitted

By Wm B Shances Commission

Commissioner fee \$50 copy \$10 2
Charged to the executor 3

Gurley Esqr Spark

Commissioner's Report.

Filed Mar. 31st 1855.

William A. Spark

In account with John M. Gurley his agent

			Principal Amount paid	Principal & Interest up to Jan'y 15 th 1849 at 6 per cent.	Principal & Interest up to Jan'y 15 th 1850 at 12 per cent.
1848					
Feb'y	22	To paid James D. Maffaulung, Tans	153 61	161 79	169 97
1848					
March	20	" " Richmond Equinox, acct	5 00	5 24	5 48
1847					
April	7	" amt of note due Jno. M. Gurley	390 68	432 20	473 72
1849					
Jan'y	1	" paid Jeph S. Barham, acct.	69 11	69 28	69 45
1849					
Jan'y	1	" " Clarke & Pope, "	43 25	43 35	43 46
1849					
Jan'y	1	" " Jeph S. Barham "	23 27	23 32	23 38
1848					
Jan'y	1	" " H. B. Stumeyer "	1 47	1 55	1 63
1848					
Feb'y	22	" " Job Holland due bill	4 88	5 12	5 37
1849					
Jan'y	1	" " James Magget	74 00	74 18	74 37
1848					
Jan'y	17	" " Benjamin Griffin bond	203 00	215 18	227 36
1848					
August	18	" " Ditto "	33 62	34 45	34 89
1848					
March	21	" " John Moore acct.	65 03	68 20	71 27
1848					
Jan'y	3	" " Davis Barnett bond	150 07	159 37	168 67
1848					
Jan'y	1	" " Et. M. Sebrun "	40 76	43 26	45 76
1848					
Jan'y	1	" " Thomas Ridley "	316 85	327 13	337 41
1848					
Jan'y	1	" " Elizabeth Johnson "	67 00	71 22	75 45
1848					
May	3	" " Et. M. Sebrun's admr. acct.	15 82	16 45	17 18
1848					
Jan'y	1	" " Et. M. Sebrun apigna bond	31 27	33 22	35 17
1847					
July	30	" " J. R. Anderson note	402 79	438 03	473 27
1847					
Dec'r	25	" " Stanley James bond	27 62	28 34	31 07
1848					
Jan'y	18	" " Rich ^d H. Braman, bond	2122 47	2248 78	2375 08
1847					
Dec'r	25	" " William Bowers, acct.	45 79	48 68	51 58
1847					
June	21	" " Richmond Equinox "	5 00	5 47	5 95
1849					
Jan'y	15	" " Bishop & Leguissant "	10 00	10 00	10 00
1848					
Jan'y	3	" " Eliza Higgins "	12 00	12 72	13 44
1848					
Jan'y	1	" " William Menpe "	2 00	2 06	2 12
Amounts carried forward			4316 38	4578 59	4842 40

1848		Amounts brought forward	431638	457859	484240
Jan 1		To paid sundry small accounts	9 87	10 46	11 35
Nov 9		" " Richard A. Crump, bond	859 57	920 57	982 61
		To Balance due the Agent	518582	550964	583606

The commissioner reports that the following claims are included in the foregoing account which have been paid off by John M. Gurley since the death of William A. Spark, which took place the 6th day of June 1848, to wit,

1849	Jan 15	To paid Bishop & Lugubant, acct.	10 00	10 00	10 00
1849	Jan 1	" " Jefe S. Baskam	69 11	69 28	69 45
"	"	" " Clarke & Pope	42 25	43 35	43 46
"	"	" " Jefe S. Baskam	23 27	23 32	23 38
"	"	" " James Elagat	74 00	74 18	74 37
		Total amount	218 63	220 13	220 66

The commissioner reports that if these claims are deducted from the foregoing account the correct balance due the agent will be - \$496719528951561540

The commissioner is of opinion that this last is the correct balance due John M. Gurley the agent of William A. Spark.

Wm. H. Cobb Commr

The Estate of William A. Spark dec?
In account with John M. Gurley his executor

1848				Dr.	Cr.
Sept 25		By cash recd. from sale of land			800 00
Octo 4		To paid Jan accounts	4 68		
" "		" " Clerk's tickets	22 94		
" "		" " Costs of suit in Tripup	24 18		
" "		" " Jefe Drury, auctioneer	9 00		
" "		" " Auctioneer for selling land	5 00		
" "		" " J. D. Maffentung, bond & interest	3972 16		
Decr 23		By cash recd. from the United States government			432 60
" "		To paid J. G. Mason, note & int.	156		
" "		" " Lemuel P. Nicholson, acct.	12 00		
" 31		By hire of negroes and this day			203 00
" "		To Balance due the Executor			2770 36
			4205 96		4205 96
1849		To Balance due brought down	2770 36		
Jan 15		By cash recd. this day.			3 26
" "		" " " from sale of negroes			5684 00
" "		To cash paid Benjamin Griffin, bond.	66 14		
" "		" " " G. H. Crump, paid bond	1100 00		
Feb 19		" " " Ditto " "	350 00		
Aug 22		By account of sales and sold Nov. 22 nd 1848			555 52
Sept 25		" Cash from sale of land			800 00
" "		To paid H. W. Moore, appraiser.	1 00		
" "		" " Clerk's tickets	10 54		
" "		" " Sheriff's tickets	12 00		
Decr 31		To Interest on \$2770.36 three months	41 55		
" "		By Balance due the Estate.	2691 19		
			7042 78		7042 78
1850		By Balance brought forward			2691 19
		Carried forward.			

1850	By Balance brought forward			2691	19	Interest			
April 19	To paid James Magel, a note which he paid as security for Wm. A. Spark.	270	67						
" 21	To paid Josiah Many, med: acct	4	00						
" "	" " Sheriff's tickets	4	50						
July 15	By sale of negro Tom sold this day			200	00				
" "	To paid Thomas R. Jenkins, bond	1456	14						
Sept 25	By cash recd. from sale of land			800	00				
Nov. 4	To paid Wm. Mufser Constable Costs								
" "	" Commissions on \$1000-	50	00						
Decr 31	By Interest on the balance of 1849					161	47		
" "	" Balance due the estate	1905	88						
		3691	19	3691	19	161	47		
1851	By Balance brought down			1905	88	161	47		
June 16	To paid Richd A. Corrup decur &c	490	00						
August 19	" " Ditto	104	73						
" "	" " Sheriff's tickets	2	50						
Sept 16	" " George H. Corrup, bal. on bond	1136	16						
Decr 16	By cash recd. from sale of lot in Jerusalem, sold by Commissioner			362	00				
" "	To Commissions thereon	18	10						
" "	By Interest on \$1905.88 eight months					76	23		
" "	" Balance due the Estate,	516	39						
		2267	88	2267	88				
1852	By Balance brought down			516	39	237	70		
1854	" Interest on \$516.39 to Decr 31 st 1854.					92	94		
Feby 15	By cash recd. of Albert Mabey on bond			1500	00				
" "	To Commissions thereon	75	00						
Decr 31	By Interest on \$1425.00 five months					35	63		
	Amounts carried forward	75	00	2016	39	366	27		

1854 Amounts brought forward 75 00 2016 39 366.27

Decr 31 By Balance due the Estate 1941 39

2016 39 2016 39 366.27

" " By Balance brought down 1941 39 366.27

" " " Interest brought in column of principal 366 27

" " " amount of Principal and interest 2307 36

with interest on \$1941.39 from this date till paid.

The commissioner reports that L. R. Edwards who is interested in the foregoing account of John M. Gurley executor of Wm. A. Spark objected to the executor being allowed commissions on the receipts which he had failed to render before a Commissioner according to law. The Commissioner therefore has not allowed the executor commissions on any receipts previous to July 1st 1850. The Commissioner deems it proper to state the nature of the interest of L. R. Edwards in the account of John M. Gurley executor of Wm. A. Spark. He states that on the 15th day of January 1844 Wm. A. Spark with Clements Rochelle, L. R. Edwards, John M. Gurley and Chas. M. Sbrule his securities executed a note to J. S. Langford for the sum \$1030. That since the death of the said Spark, Rochelle and Sbrule judgment on the said bond was obtained against the said Gurley and Edwards as surety obligors, and that on the 15th day of July 1850, the said Gurley fully paid off and discharged the execution which issued on the said judgment, and the said Edwards insists that in the settlement of the account of John M. Gurley as executor of Wm. A. Spark the estate should be charged with this amount as the said Gurley had monies in his hands sufficient to discharge the same. The said debt is allowed the 40^{rs} in the foregoing account. The said Gurley claims that there were no appts in his hands applicable to the payment of this claim, as the said Spark was indebted to him as agent in

a much larger amount than there were assets in his hands sufficient to pay. He claims that by several powers of attorney executed by the said Wm. A. Spark to him on the 4th day of April 1847, (copies of which are inserted in the report of Commissioner Phares) the said Spark constituted him his lawful attorney and agent for certain purposes which will be seen by reference to said powers of attorney. That as agent aforesaid he paid off and discharged claims against the said Spark to the amount of several thousand dollars, and claims that by virtue of the said powers of attorney he is entitled to be allowed the amount thus paid off in his account as executor of the said Spark in preference to the debt in which the said L. R. Edwards is interested - The said L. R. Edwards objects to this amount paid as agent being allowed him, on the ground amongst others, that the said powers of attorney are void on the ground of usury -

The account of John M. Gurley as agent of Wm. A. Spark is contained in the former part of this report. The ^{account} said shows the amount of principal paid by Gurley, the amount of principal at six per cent, and the amount of principal at twelve per cent interest - The Commissioner reports that if the principal amount paid by the agent is allowed the executor in his account aforesaid on the 15th day of January 1849, the balance due the executor on the 31st day of Decr 1854, will be \$4376.76 - That if the principal and interest at 6 per cent be allowed the balance due on the same day will be \$4820.37. That if the principal and interest at 12 per cent be allowed the balance due on the same day will be \$5164.15.

The Commissioner reports specially that there are claims still due the estate of Wm. A. Spark amounting to two

or three thousand dollars - That the executor states that he is endeavouring to collect the said claims, but is unable to state positively whether he will succeed in doing so.

The Commissioner reports that Wm. A. Spark departed this life on the 6th day of June 1848, and that John M. Gurley qualified as his executor in the County Court of Southampton County on the 17th day of July 1848. He further reports that the said John M. Gurley sold the real estate of the said Spark on the 25th day of Sept. 1848, for one third cash, and the balance on a credit of one and two years - That he sold the slaves of the said Spark on the 15th of January 1849 for cash, except one which was sold on the 15th day of July 1850 for cash, and that he sold his chattel estate on the 22nd day of Novr. 1848, on a credit of nine months. That all of the beforementioned property, real and personal, was sold by him as the executor of the said Spark - The said executor states that he sold no property as the agent of Spark. The foregoing account of his transactions as executor of Spark will show the respective periods at which he received any monies due the estate, and also at what times he paid the same out. At the request of L. R. Edwards the Commissioner returns with this report the receipts and vouchers of the said John M. Gurley both as executor and agent of Wm. A. Spark.

Respectfully submitted

Commissioner for \$45.00
charged to John M. Gurley

for &

Wm. W. Cobb

Wm. W. Cobb Comr

Gurley Esq of Spark  Commissioners Office.
March 22nd 1855.

In obedience to a decree of the Circuit Court of South-
ampton County rendered at November term 1854, the undersigned
Commissioner of said court gave notice to the parties interested
that he would proceed to take the accounts required by
said decree, at his office, on the 20th of February last.
At which time and place the said parties appeared before
him, and he proceeded to make up the foregoing accounts
which are herewith returned with the decree and notice.

Wm. W. Cobb Comm

John M. Burling
Receipt agent
of Wm. A. Spark

Algernon Papers

agency

Wm A Spark

To

Wm Bowers

Wm A Spark
To & out
Bowers

1840 Dr William A Spark To W^m Bowers Dr

Octr	To making pantaloons & trimming	\$ 2.00
1843 Octr)	" Do - 2 pr pantaloons	3.00
")	" Do - pantaloons & vest	3.00
")	" trimmings:	0.25
Decr 23 }	" making pantaloons	1.50
" }	" trimmings	0.31
1844 Sept)	" making pantaloons	1.50
1845 "	" Do - Do	1.50
Feby		<u>\$ 13.06.</u>
" }	Shadrach Futrell's account	27.75
" }	intrest for 3 years	4.98
		<u>\$ 45.79</u>

Decr 25 Received payment by John M. Gurley agent
 1847 for William A Spark -
 William Bowers

Mr. *Dr W. A. Sparks*

To RICHMOND ENQUIRER,

Dr.

To Subscription, from the *3rd* day of *March* 184*6*, to the
3rd day of *March* 184*7*, — — — — \$ *5* —

Received payment *21st* day of *June* 184*7*.

For WILLIAM F. & THOMAS RITCHIE, JR.

of the M. G. & Co.

A. B. Fuller
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 of Wm. A. Clark up to the above
 age

Jose S. Barham

Wm. A. Clark
 Dec. 1/1865

agency

Jerusalem February 10th
1847 William A. Sparks

Bot. of J. S. Barham

	To = 3 lbs nails 4 th		19	
22	To = 1 pr lines 1/2		19	38
March 8 th	To = 1 pr lines 1/2		19	19
April 10 th	To = 1 weed Hoe 4/4		44	
26 th	To = 1 pr lines 1/2		19	63
May 13 th	To = 1 weed Hoe 3/		50	50
June 9 th	To = 2 1/2 yds striped Jeans 9 th	3	41	
	To = 3 1/2 yds cotton gnetings 11/4	3	47	
	To = Thread 3/		50	
25	To = 12 yds Home spun 15/	1	80	
	To = 3 yds Blue Jeans 1/		50	
	To = 3 yds stitching 10/		30	
	To = 3 rd Batch do 9 th		44	
	To = 2 spoons 4 th = 1 gal Brandy 4/6		88	
	To = 2 weed Hoes 4/4		88	12 18
Aug 18 th	To = 1 Pad Lock 4/4		44	44
Sept 31 st	Per Mrs E. V. Parker = 6 lbs Brown sugar 9 th 3 lbs coffee 9 th	1	12	
	To = 6 lbs Candles 1/2 = 6 lbs Crush sugar 15/	2	02	3 14
Oct 29 th	Per Eustace Parker 2 3/4 yds Blue Cassimere 15/	6	87	
	To = Winding for Pants & Vest 8/6		81	7 68
Nov 4 th	To = 3 lbs nails 4 th		06	
5 th	Per Eustace Parker 1 pr gloves 2/6		37	
16 th	To = 9 lbs leaf sugar 15/ = 6 lbs coffee 9 th	3	10	
22	To = 6 1/2 yds Honey 1/6 = 3 1/2 yds cotton gnetings 9 th	20	93	
	To = 6 yds Home spun 9 th = 7 yds cotton cloth 10/	1	45	
	To = 2 3/4 yds Jeans 9 th = 4 of thread 9 th		84	
	To = 1 grip Buttons 1/6 = 1 Hat 4/6	1	00	
24	To = 9 pr Buttons 2/6 =	11	25	
	To = 3 lbs Brown sugar 9 th 1 shoe must 1/2 = 10 lbs other 1/2		65	38 65
Dec 7 th	To = 1 sheet radding 10/ = 5 seamy with 4 th		35	
24	To = 10 lbs Manna Sugar 9 th = 10 lbs coffee 9 th	2	50	
	To = 3 pr Blue cotton hoes 3/ = 9 lbs leaf sugar 1/6	2	50	
	To = 6 spoons cane 4 th = 1/2 of Blue thread 4/6		44	
	To = 6 lbs Candles 1/2 = 1 Wool Hat 4/6	1	87	7 66
			71	45

Dr. Wm A. Sparte
ap
with } Clarke & Pope

43.25 -
13.11
23.27

13.50.3

Dr. William A. Sparks

To Clarke & Popen Dr.

1847

Nov 9	To b ^{ls} Candles @ 18 ³ / ₄	//	1 13
11	1 pr woman shoes 8 ³ / ₃		1 38
~~23~~	6 10 by 12 mince globe @ 5 ⁰	30	
10	8" 10 " " 5	<u>50</u>	1 00

Dec 6	1 Bottle Morphine @		2 25
15	1 Gal Molas 3 ³ / ₄ 1/4 Bus Salt @ 6 ³ / ₄		75
24	4 ¹ / ₂ " Cheese @ 9" 1 2r Paper 2 ³ / ₄	81	
	1/2 gal Molas @ 3 ³ / ₄	20	
	1 Bot Int 10 9 ⁰	<u>19</u>	1 19

1848			
Jan 3	1 more Hat 4 ¹ / ₆		75
13	1 Bot Sarsapar. 6 ³ / ₄		1 00
18	1 pr Kid shoes 9 ³ / ₄		1 50
19	1 firm comb 18 ³ / ₄		19

Feb 1	1 Bag Mustard 1 ¹ / ₆		25
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10	6 th Sugar @ 10 1/4 5 th Coffee @ 10 1/2	1 20	
	6" Candles @ 18 ³ / ₄ 1 Pencil 4 ¹ / ₆	1 23	
	1 Paper Garden 4 ¹ / ₂	06	
	1 pr Slipper 7 ¹ / ₆	1 20	
	3/4 yd Blk Crapes @ 4 ¹ / ₆	36	
	1 gal Molas 3 ³ / ₄	<u>50</u>	4 80

17	3/4 yd Blk Alpaca @ 6 ³ / ₄	5 00	
	3/4" Col Selesia @ 1 ¹ / ₆	19	
	3/4" Bro Holland . 4 ¹ / ₆	19	
	3" Blk Fringe @ 1 ¹ / ₆	75	
	1 Box H Eggs 1 ¹ / ₆	25	
	3 Banks Silk @ 5-	15	
	1 yd Blk Cambr 9 ⁰	13	
	1 doz Fancy Buttons 1 ¹ / ₆	<u>14</u>	6 83

Mar 24	1 gal Molas @ 3 ³ / ₄	50	
	6 th Sugar @ 10 +	60	
	6 th Coffee " 10	60	
	6" Candles @ 18 ³ / ₄	<u>1 13</u>	2 83

29	1 Lark Brush 18 ³ / ₄ 49	13	
	7 yd Alpaca @ 3 ³ / ₄	4 38	
	1" Bro Holland 1 ¹ / ₆	20	
	2" Selesia . 1 ¹ / ₆	<u>50</u>	

April 6	1 st Paper 1 ¹ / ₆		5 36
	7 1 pr Thick sole Kid shoes 9 ³ / ₄	1 50	
	1" Morocco 7 ¹ / ₆	1 25	
	1 Paper Molas 9	13	
	1 Lard String 9 ⁰	<u>12</u>	3 88
	1 Paper Pins 9 ⁰	<u>13</u>	3 49

Amt Brob over			\$ 34 49
4	1 Ser Salacratas g ^d		13
22	14 1/2 yd Blk Lamm @ 3 1/4	4 52	
	1 pr shoes g ^f	1 50	
	2 1/2 yd Paper cant ^d @ 18 3/4	46	
	2 " Bro Holland @ 1/6	50	
	5 Hanks Silk @ 50	250	4 2 3
May 1	1 Litan String @ 13		13
4	3 " Sugar @ 6	20	
	3 " Coffee @ 10	30	
	2 " Candles @ 18 3/4	38	9 3
18	4 " Candles @ 18 3/4	75	
	6 " Sugar @ 10. 6 " Coffee @ 13 5	135	
	10 " Loaf Sugar @ 9	1 20	
	2 Box Matches @ 3	06	
	1 Silver Thimble @ 25	25	
	1 1/2 yd Blk & Wht gingham @ 30	45	
	1 Past Board 4 1/2	06	
	6 Hanks Silk @ 50	300	4 4 7
20	3/4 yd gingham @ 30	22	
	1 Bunch Liddell String @ 13	13	80
June 2	1 gale Molas 40		40
	5 " Lapa cot hose @ 1/6		50
			\$ 48 63

1848	Contra br		
Apr 1	By goods Returned	5 13	
May 5	" Cash	25	5 38
1849			43 25

1849
 Jan 1 st. Rec'd payt. from
 John M. Gentry Agent
 Clarke & Pope

Wm^y A. Spark
To acct - \$23.27

Henry

Wm. A. Spark per Mrs. E. V. Parker
 Bot - of J. I. Barkham

Jan 10	1 Bottle mutton	6/-	1	00	
18	1 quire letter paper	1/6	25	1	25
Feb 10	1/4 yd kersey	1/6	06		
	1/2 quire letter paper		13		19
March 28	1 pair suspenders	1/3	38		
	1 pair Gloves	1/3	37		
	1/2 quire paper	1/6	13		88
Apr 7	1 Box Blacking	1/4	19		
22	1 pair Shoes	15/-	2	50	
	1 Box Pinil points	15 qd	13		2 82
May 2	1 pair Gloves	3/-	50		
	1 W alpacas	3/4 p	56		
29	1/2 quire paper	1/6	12		1 18
				6	32

August 2nd 1848
 To The Estate of W. A. Sparks
 Bt of J. S. Barham.

"	3	Yrs Striped Jersey	50	
"	3 1/2	Yrs Onnaburg ga	44	
10	1	Yrs Striped Jersey ga	13	
"	1	Q3 Thread ga	13	120
"	6	Yrs Cheeks ga	75	
"	6 1/2	Yrs Lv ga	81	
"	6 1/2	Yrs Shirting ga	81	
"	4	Yrs Onnaburg ga	50	287
now	9	17 Yrs Jersey 23c	3 91	
"	10	Yrs Shirting 8c	80	
"	3	Yrs Dot 11c	38	
"	6	Yrs Home Spin ga	75	
"		Thread & Buttons 2/3	38	
"	1	paper needles &c	10	
"	4	pair shoes 7/8	5 20	
"	1	wool hat 3/4	63	
20	4	Yrs Jersey 23c	92	1288
				2327

Recd. of Geo. M. Gentry Agent-
for Com. A. Spent the sum
of thirty three dollars, 27 cents
in favor of the within of
Jesse S. Barham

857. ob. On dem and J. Ins. M. Gurley Agent
for Wm. A. Spark do hereby bind the said Wm.
A. Spark, by Power of Attorney executed to me
authorizing me to sign his name & Transact
all his business matters, as well as myself to
pay Richard A. Crump the sum of Eight
Hundred and fifty one ————— Dollars & six Cents
for value; read Witness my hand & seal this
21st Sept. 1847 -

Jno. M. Gurley Esq

Nov: 9/1847 Recd. of Jno. M.
 Gurley agent - for Wm. & Spunk
 the within amt - of eight hundred
 & fifty nine dollars & 57/100
 Rick & Albump

Jno M. Gurley
 for Wm. & Spunk
 To G. Stole
 14 3/4 Rick & A. Albump
 \$857.06

due Sept. 21. 1847-

22
 14 15
 88
 204
 315

857.57
 57.5742
 10,314.94
 4.29
 3.15
 110.18

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 27.62 \\
 \underline{1} \\
 15.58 \underline{4} \\
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 \end{array}$$

agency

Decr. 25/84 Recd. of Geo. M. Gentry
Agent for W. W. a Spunk the sum of
twenty seven dollars 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents in full for
the hire of Negro woman Chentotto this year the
property of Mrs. Nancy James. —

John James
for
Nancy James

Agency

Agency
W. W.

W. W. 6569



On or before the 23 Dec 1843 I promise to pay to *Mrs*

Elizabeth Johnson order or Assigns, *Fifty two dollars*

~~Dollars and~~

Cents, for value received; for which payment well and truly to be made, *I*

bind *myself my* Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these

presents; as witness *my* hand and seal this

TESTE,

17 day of *April* 184 *3*

Wm Aspark



3-2
13/2
18.72

June 1. 1848. Recd. of
 Jas. M. Gentry Agent
 for Wm. A. Spruill
 The sum of Three
 hundred & sixteen
 dollars 85-cents, in full
 of the within note
 & interest Tho. P. Ridley

Spark To
 Ridley
 agency
 Note \$ 352.87

316.85 -
 3
 1901.10
 950.55
 158.42
 301007

Due 22 June 1844

Nov. 16. Recd. on Am
 within note one
 hundred dollars
 Tho. P. Ridley

On Demand and I promise to pay John Ridley three
hundred & fifty two Dollars $\$352.00$ for value
received as witness my hand & seal This 22 June
1849

Wm Aspark (Seal)

Nov. 17. due in addition
to the within three $\frac{1}{100}$
dollars M. A. Spauld

W. A. Spauld

2 { note
Selwell 9:

~~31 = 30~~
3. 5-
3 4. 5-5-

Amey

\$ 41.58

detd & paid

Rev

on or before the 1st day of Janry. 1845 I
promise to pay to St M Rubenward
of E. A. Lin more the sum of Thirty one
\$0/100 Dollars for the hire of my man
Robinson and to return him with the
usual clothing hat & blanket & as
witness my hand & seal This 3^d Decr 1844

Wm Sparks (seal)

Novth 11, 1845 - Pay the within
to N M Schull

Subt & Rec.

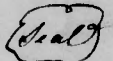
B. Larang
\$ 31.20

Wm A. Hanks
to \$ note
\$ 27.08

Done May 28/1845

Larang

Nine months after date We William A Spark and Jno M Gurley
or either of us do promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Benjamin Devany
Executor of Francis Calvert due the just and full sum of Twenty Seven Dol
lars & 08/100 for value recd to which payment well and truly to be made we
bind ourselves, our heirs, Executors and Adm^{rs} jointly and firmly by these
presents - Witness our hands and seals this 28 day of August 1844
Teste

Wm A Spark 

Jno M Gurley 

agency

$$\begin{array}{r} 147 \\ \hline 8.82 \\ \hline 26.46 \end{array}$$

Wm A. Phelps

Mr. Wm. A. Spence

1846

To A. V. Minner

Dec 22. To Chapman Castings & H. Bayles

92

" Cummings 30th Post 5

55

\$ 1.47

R. C. Hay

of No 100 Locality
A. V. Minner

S. By 5 1/2 Bbl. corn lacking at
one dollar & seventy cents making \$9.35

Recd Octr 21st 1844 the sum of
ninety five dollars in part
L. Barrett

Recd the sum of fifty eight
cents in part
Jan 3rd 1845 L. Barrett

April 20. 1846
we are the within
fifty five dollars

47/100 Lewis Barrett

due Jan 3 48 \$150.00

11 m 9 1/2 p m
20
3 note
Davis Barrett & Co
\$236.30
\$9.35
\$245.65
due Oct 30 1844

Barrett

0 2 2 2 2 2

\$236.30 on demand The 30th day of September next we or either
of us do promise to pay Davis Barrett Exec: of Amos Stephenson decd
The sum of Two hundred & thirty six dollars and thirty cents
to which payment well and truly to be made we bind
our selves our heirs Executors & administrators each severally &
firmly by these presents for value recd. witness our
hands & seals this 12th day of March 1841

Teste
Chas. C. Knight as to C. Rockwell

Am. Aspark (Seal)

Chas. Rockwell (Seal)

(Seal)

agavey

$$\begin{array}{r} 223- \\ 4.37 \\ \hline 612 \\ 16 \end{array}$$

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Polly Bent
age

July the 11th 1847

Mr William A Spark ditto Mrs Sally Seal

To Making one pair pants for John to 012 5 07

To Making one shirt for John to 012 5 07

To one pair pants for Henry to 012 5 07

To one shirt for Henry to 012 5 07

To Making Joseph two pair of pants ^{twenty five} 012 5 07

To Making two shirts to 11 4 07 per piece 006 2 12

To Thread to 011 2 4

August, 26th 1847. 211 2 5 To 211 2 5

from Jas M. Gentry

To
James J. McInnis

211 2 5
for thread
per yard

James Maggs
Receipt

Henry

John M. Guley Agent of Wm A Spunk
1848.

To James Magist Dr.

To p^d. Cartail & note in Bank
at Petersburg

\$74-

Recd. pay ment in full of the above amount
of twenty from Wm A Spunk from Jas. M Guley
agent as above

James Magist.

$$\begin{array}{r} 30) 10.61.24 (35.7\frac{1}{3} \\ \underline{90} \\ 131 \\ \underline{150} \end{array}$$

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humbly

R. St. Anthony
Superior

January 18th 1848 - Proc. of John M. Gurby a bond with
N. B. Bryant, James Magel and Sampson C. Reese sureties
executed for a debt due by W. A. Sporne as surety for Col.
M. C. Porter in the sum of two thousand one hundred
and twenty two dollars and 29/100 -

Richard H. Beaman

W. A. Spork
To \$ 4.88
Job. Holland

43

holland

due when the all and four dollars 88/100

Apr 7. 1847

W Adspark

Recd. Feb 22nd 1848 of Jno. W. Garby five dollars and 13/100
in full for the debt and inst. of the above bill

Wm. Murphy for
Joh. Hollond

Bracy's rept.

Lomb

Dr. William A. Shack

1848

To Merick S. Bracy

Dr

To 1 pair shoes for Joseph White \$1.50

April 17th 1848 Recd payment in full of
Merick S. Bracy John M. Gentry

11/23/22
Mrs. Morris Jr.
atls.

agm ag

1847.

Wm A Spark to John Moor Jr. Dr

To Superintending your farm one hundred days

from and after the 9th day of April of this Year at 3/4th pay \$50.00

Ans

25

Rec^d 27th March 1848 of John de Gurley as agent

for Wm A Spark the above sum of fifty dollars

John de Gurley 6/5 03

\$45.28 Mems. Note

Agnew

THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

1891

Mr. W. A. Sparks -

To SOUTHERN PLANTER,

Dr.

To Subscription from the 1st

1846, to the 1st

\$1.00

July

1847,

Received Payment

P. D. Bernard.

Debt 10 -
 2.40
12.40

March 11 1848

Paid to
 Mr. M. Gentry

John Chase, Jr

Paid to
 Mr. Chase of 1.85
 9.00
 10.85

agency

1.500
 10.00
1.500
 32.50
4.82

1844

June 5th

William A. Sparks Do

To

John Cleore; June for 2 yd White pear

1844

at

3/ per Bushel \$1.25-

July 6th

To

one barrel and 9 pigs

\$ 9.00

\$ 10.25-

$$\begin{array}{r}
 402.79 \\
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 241.174 \\
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 402.78 \\
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 \$5437.56
 \end{array}$$

6/2/07

Rec'd Richmond July 30. 1877 of ~~Mr~~
Mr W. Gurley for note at bearing from
10 Inst for four hundred & two dollars
79 Cents, which when paid will be in full
of note of Dr Wm A. Spark for four
hundred dollars due 10th August next, pay-
able to C. Dimmock & Co., which note is
left with me as collateral for the afore-
said note of said Gurley.

J. R. Anderson
By J. J. Cannon

5481 Aug 1

Estate of Dr. Spark

A/c

Bishop's Ingham

Handing

Jerusalem Ya. 1828.

The Estate of Ser. Wm A. Spark

To Bishop & Wm. Hart Dr.

Decr. 16. To visit & pil day & opm for negro Quis \$ 3.50

" 17. To visit prescription & Ardyne for do 3.00

" 24. To visit Pil day. et Ex. dyse. Mg Lueph do. 3.50

\$10.00

May 23. 1848 15.82

Wm. A. Spink
To { S. Lect.
Selville
#7-96.

Agency

1845.

William A. Spark

To M. M. Sebrell

D^r
P^t

Dec^r: 10th To making hays, staple & hook. ———— . 50
 " To repairing ox-ring & staple & 1 lb. Iron. ———— " 32
 1846.

Mar: 31 To making plough & laying P. hoe. ———— 1.42
 " To making two lap-rings & 9/2 lb. Iron. ———— " 92

June 15 To mending two clings. ———— . 25
 23 To beating-out P. hoe. ———— " 12

July 6 To laying two P. hoes & making P. hoe. ———— 1.95
 17 To laying P. hoe & 5 lb. Iron. ———— " 85

Aug: 7 To making two keys for steer yoke. ———— " 13
 " To making pin for ox-cart. ———— " 25

Nov^r: 19 To making two lap-rings & mending hinges. ———— " 37
 " To repairing plough & swingletree & 2 1/2 lb. Iron. ———— " 88

Rec^d May 23/1848 of John M. Early agent \$ 7.96.
 for Wm. A. Spark the above account in full

M. M. Sebrell rec^d of
 W. A. Spark

agency

Dr. J. Sparks

TO RICHMOND ENQUIRER,

Dr.

To Subscription, from the *3rd* day of *March* 18*47*, to the
3rd day of *March* 184*8*, - - \$ *5-*

Received payment *20th* day of *March* 184*8*.

For WILLIAM F. & THOMAS RITCHIE, JR.

A. B. Puller
acgt

agency

William A. Sparks

22.03
7 tickets 26.15
tax acct 13.16

61.34

52.52

\$ 113.86

Ala. Ins. 47.28

Bacon 2003 for Sparks & hand 39.75

\$ 253.61

All settled except this
Tax & tickets which
I do not understand

51
61.34

40.21
51
12.68.91
50.29.2
49.12.6
17.3.51

Dr. *William A. Sparks*

To JACOB BARNES, Sheriff of Southampton County, for 1846

Tax on	630½	Acres of Land, assessed at	-	-	-	3	16
"	9	County Levies,	-	-	-	9	54
"	9	Parish Levies,	-	-	-	4	50
"	9	Slaves above 12 years of age, at	cents,	-	-	2	88
"	5	Horses, Mares, Mules, &c. at	do.	-	-		50
"	1	Wheel Carriage value \$	30	-	-		40
"	1	Silver ~~Levy~~ , <i>Wm. D. Welch</i>	-	-	-	1	
							22 03

1848 Feby 22

Received Payment, of *John M. Gundy*

J. W. McPherson

Deputy for

JACOB BARNES.

25.26 Feb 28 William A Spark

4.68

21

4.77

12

30

22.03

39.75 -

97.82

4 tickets

25.26

25.16

50.42

1 Ticket 2.10

52.52

Agency

Dr. *William A. Sparks*

To JACOB BARNES, Sheriff of Southampton County, for 1847

Tax on	<i>630 1/2</i>	Acres of Land, assessed at	-	-	-	-	-	3	16
"	<i>10</i>	County Levies,	-	-	-	-	-	11	80
"	<i>10</i>	Parish Levies,	-	-	-	-	-	5	70
"	<i>10</i>	Slaves above 12 years of age, at					cents,	3	20
"	<i>7</i>	Horses, Mares, Mules, &c. at					do.		40
"		Wheel Carriage value \$	-	-	-	-	-		
"	<i>1</i>	~~Silver Lever,~~ <i>Gold Watch</i>	-	-	-	-	-	1	
								25	26

1848 Feb 22

Received payment, of *John M. Parley*

J. R. Mappentun

Deputy for

JACOB BARNES.

13 Midlengs Delivered for the use of Dr. G. G. family 167 $\frac{1}{2}$

2a Shoalsur _____ 215

2 Hams _____ 15

397 $\frac{1}{2}$

\$ 397.50

John M. Gushy settled the above
account Feb. 22. 1848
J. M. Gushy

agency

J. M. Gushy

V a

October the 5th 1847

J. D. Maffinburg

Der Sir

You will send 4 humane Lbs of Bacon
If you have it to spare to Mrs Parker
when she sends for it and you will
count the peases if you please and
send 4 or 6 hams if you can spare them
In the wote of the Bacon

yours Respectfully

J. D. Maffinburg

pro Moore, Jr

W Aspark

63

agmen

1848 William Aspark Exor. of C. Rochelle ac^d.
To Sheriff Southampton 8.
To Aaron 2 W. Traps ac^d. Gatling Reddick H.^e 42
" (etc) Spa vs E. Helores 1 Knight not found 24
66
J. Barden Stff

Wm A Spark

Agency

Wm A Spauld to R M Aspinwall
Change Am

50

W. A. Spark

21

Agnew

1848 William A Spark Esq of Clements Rochelle
To Hff Southampton County D.
April To Rev W Muf ad. C & Bloes Esq. 21

I am Sir Hff

Jan 17th / 1848 Recd of
Jno Mc Enley on the within
Bond Two Hundred &
Three tolls and -

C. B. Hayden

Receipt to Sparks
X Aug 18 - 1848 - Recd on the within
Bond from Jas W Straath in Jno
Mc Enley's name Thirty Three tolls and
Thirty Two cents -

\$ 64.55 - Balance C. B. Hayden
1.39 date of above payment
66.14

Jan 15th Recd of John Mc Enley
Exec of 200th Spark Sixty Six
tolls and Fourteen cents and
within Bond - C. B. Hayden

Frank & Mapenbury
to Note
J. B. Gordon
\$ 235.00

agent - Escrow

Sparks & Mapenbury
to C. B. Hayden

Nine months after date I promise to pay
Bry Griffith Esq. Adams the sum
of ~~Two~~ hundred and thirty five Dollars
for value recd as witness our hands and
seals this 30 day Nov 1842

Mr Aspark (Sd)

W Mapinburg Ld

Agency

.25-

1.50

4.137

1.00

2.25-

9.87

To William A Sparks

1848

To William Lyman

To

To 1 plough

\$0.75

Rec^d by in full of John M Gush April 17th 1848
Vinal S Bury

Agney

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, possibly a ledger or account book, covering the majority of the page.]

December 21st 1847

William of Sparks in account with		
Polly Beal		
for 10 white	To making 2 shirts 1/6 each	\$ 50
	To making 2 pair pants 1/6 do	50
	To making 1 pair draws 1/6	12 1/2
	To making suit for Henry 4/6	75
	To making do for John 4/6	75
	To making do for Orris 4/6	75
	To making do for Solomon 4/6	75
	To finding Thread 1/6	\$ 4 12 1/2
		25

Mr John Gunley Sir you will pay
the above account and this shall be
your receipt in full for the same
Test William Beal

her
Polly & Beal
marks

agency

Eliza Higgins

Recd to

Gusley -

\$13.00

Rec^d of John M. Gulley Three dollars for
services rendered Mrs Parker in the year 1847
January 3rd 1848

Witness

W^m D. Clarke

Eliza ^{her} ~~the~~ Niggans
mark

I no m gaily agt

L.

Mrs. Murfee

humbly

Mr. Geo. M. Gurby Power atty of D^r W. A. Sparks
1847. To Mr. Murphy D^r

To Keeping account of sales 1 day 12/- \$2.00
Rec^d. Payment

W. Murphy

1
Voucher and receipts
of John M. Gurley as
Executor of Wm. A. Spaulding

#2273.37

I hereby certify that on the 20th day
of September 1847. I executed a note as the agent
of William A. Spark to George H. Crump for
the sum of Twenty two hundred and seventy three
dollars 37 cts in consideration of said Crump's
procurement of a Judgment obtained against said
Spark as Executor of said Kirk M. after
deducting said Sparks offsets to which bond I
bound myself as security to said Spark, said
bond has been lost by said Crump, this certificate
is therefore executed to said Crump in consideration
of said lost bond to which I ~~acknowledge~~ acknowledge
myself ~~to~~ bound as said Sparks security then
as originally. Witness my hand & seal this 1st
day of June 1848

Wm. W. Napentburg

J. M. Gentry Seal
Agent for Wm. A. Spark

Jan'y 15th 1849 Recd. of Jas. M. Gurley Esq. of
 Wm. A. Spruick dr. The sum of Eleven hundred
 Dollars in part of the within obligation

Geo. H. Crump.

Feb'y 19, 1849 Recd. Three hundred and forty
 Dollars in part of the within note

Geo. H. Crump

Jas. M. Gurley

11 of note

\$2273.37

1180
 330
 1450

Wm. A. Spruick
 Jas. M. Gurley

Apr 10. 1851. This bond discharged by Jas. M. Gurley

13.79

16.58

239.11

21.20

21.35

17.00

15.50

478.93

Principal of Dr. Spark Bonds \$ 226.95
Gt from Sept 30th 1841 To Oct. 21st 1844 . . . 42.21

269.16

Paid Oct. 21st 1844 95.00

21st Oct. 1844 To April 20th 1846 174.16
15.64

189.80

Pd. April 20th 1846 56.07

\$ 133.73

Gt from April 20th 1846 16.34

Pt. from April 20th 1846 \$ 150.07

To July 3rd 1848

To be added to the
inventory

J. P. Buchanan
Wm. W. W.

The Estate of Wm. A. Sparks

1848

To Genl. C. P. Nicholson Dr.

40 Sundry Vids & Mch. to one of Maria's
children this year

4/12. -

Recd. from acct of the above acct
of Twelve Dollars from Jas. M. Gentry Esq.
of Wm. A. Sparks child -

Saml O. Nicholson

W. A. Sparks to
Geo. Moore

August 31st 1846

W. A. Sparke

Dr.

To John Moore, Jr. for timber at one Dollar & 25-cts
per hundred
16 Lapse 5 inches wide 15-foot long 100 feet
2 plank 10 inches wide 20-foot long 33.4
16 Lapse 6 inches wide 25-foot long 200
333.4 1/2

March 1847

Yrs
Paid pay mnt of

Mr. M. G. G. G.

John Moore, Jr.

4.16

37

53

C. Brinmoe & Co

Copy

Rec'd in payment
of \$100 on St. V. Murray
Bank, @ 10 days
Sight for the amt of
the cashing note -

R. Anderson
By J. G. Tamm



~~\$ 402 79~~

Richmond, July 10 1847.

Sixty days after date, I promise to pay
to Charly Dimmock & Co. or order, without offset,
Four hundred & two ⁷⁹/₁₀₀ Dollars,

Negotiable and Payable at
Value Received.

BANK OF VIRGINIA,

Jno. M. Guly

Ellyson, Print.

Sold by J. W. Randolph & Co., Booksellers.

left unpaid note to a Spark for 400 & 79/100 due 10/13 Aug 1847

417.28⁸
11.792²
 209.74
13.3766

418.48⁸
63.16.88²
50.3375
 19.27.66
19.61.42
49
 69.12

20914
 1806
23

Dr. Speak
 Statement

Dr. Sparks
 due bill

This Amount due on Statement \$612.27

To. amt of Note to Shuon \$130

" Purchase at Wilkings 31.55

" do. at Girding 8.84

" Mark Right 2.00 \$172.39

Contra Cr \$785.66

Am't of Int. bonds \$345.48

Int. 20.70 366.18

\$429.48

Long time debt off 28.80

\$390.68

Due pro. m. Girding on settlement this 7th Apr. 1847
the sum of Three hundred & ninety dollars 69/100

W A Spark

Wm. A. Shank

3 L. Kets. $\begin{array}{r} 4.68 \\ 5.61 \\ \hline 10.29 \end{array}$

B. Shank

Dr. *William A. Spurr*

1848

Sept. 1848
TO BENJAMIN GRIFFIN, Sheriff of Southampton County.

To Tax on	<i>630 1/2</i>	Acres of Land,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$	<i>3</i>	<i>16</i>
Do	<i>1</i>	Slaves, at	-	-	-	-	-	-			<i>32</i>
Do		Horses,	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Do		2 Wheel Carriages.	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Do		4 do do	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Do	<i>1</i>	County and Parish Levies,	-	-	-	-	-	-		<i>1</i>	<i>20</i>
										\$	<i>4 68</i>

Received this *2nd*

day of *October*

1848, from

the sum of \$ *4.68* in full of the above tax account.

Geo M Guley

W. L. Hill

DEPUTY FOR

Sept. 1848
BENJAMIN GRIFFIN, Sheriff.

Mrs. M. Gurley

Ex. &c

To } Cont

\$4.63

Geo. M. Gurby Esq^r of Wm. Aspark dec^r, D^r
1850 To Wm. Hurfe Const

June 22nd To serving warrant v^s ~~Geo. H. 30~~
Orren Vaughan

To summoning Geo. Moore witness 84

" do. Jacob Senow 3 do. 63

" " James Harcum 1 do. 21

" Jacob Senow's attendance 2 days 1.06

1850 " Geo. Moore's do. 3. " 1.59

Nov. 4th Rec^d of Geo. M. Gurby Esq^r \$4.63

of Wm. Aspark dec^r the above sum
of four dollars and $\frac{63}{100}$ in full for cost
of warrant v^s O. Vaughan W. Hurfe Const

Gurley Est
of Spark
to mid { age
\$4.00

1848 John M Gurley Exr of Dr. W. A. Sparks
To Jos. Manry for
Sept 4 visit to negro child & med \$2.00

" 5- visit to the same & med, - 2.00

April 21/58 Recd the above in full of \$4.00

John M Gurley Jos. Manry

Wm A. Spark

\$ 21. 47 1/2
63
21

5. 61

Executor

Dr. William A. Spark

1847.

To the Clerk of Super Superior Court.

July	Copy note against Parker and Notaries protest	34
	Copy judgement (and note for W.B. Shands Esq.	36
	Issuing capias 18 docketing 8. entering attorney 8.	
	noting process 18. filing declaration 15. rules 50 filing }	
	return 18. issuing subpoena 18 (Sept.)	1. 33
Octo.	Entering motion 15. leave to amend declaration 36. order 36.	84
Dec.	opening costs 20. Copy 18.	38
1848.	filing amended declaration 15. 2 rules 50.	65
April	Continuance on Court docket 25. entering attendance of one	
	witness 18. Copy 18.	3
		61

J. D. J. Mason

60

Farmers Bank

Li. 16

Excess

Dr. The President, Directors & Co. of the Farmers Bank of Virginia
 1846 To the Clerk of Superior Court.

July.	Issuing process against Parkers admr. 18. docketing 8 entering attorney 8. noting process 18. filing papers 18. } declaration 15. 2 rules 50.	1.35
Octo.	Entering jointed in demurrer 15. application to 2 pleas 15 in Entering judgement 36. taxing costs 20. Copy 18. issuing 3 execution 10. noting process 18.	1.32
1847 Jan'y.	Copy Bill of Indignation (in favour Parkers admr for W. Co.)	.75
April.	Entering leave to file answer 36. filing same 15. entering attorney 8.	.59
		\$ 21.46

14.46
 24.18
 \$ 28.64

J. J. J. Mason

Gurley Jr.
No Adm.

58

1.00

1.00

1.00

3.50

Geo. W. Gurley agent of Mrs. Spach

1857

To Sheriff of Southampton County

For

App. Rule To Exec. Summons on Geo. W. Pate

A. Myrick Sheriff

.. 58

Gurby No. 20
Ect. of Sparks

1.00

Mr. A. Spurr Esq.

1857

To the of Sampson County

Wm. R. Count

To every learning woman on Alfred Rich

At suit of Spurr Esq. by H. J. Clark & Nicholas \$ 1.00
A. Munich Esq.

Quincy Jan 20
Ect.

1.00

Geo. W. Husley Esqr of Wm. A. Hunt

1857

To Shift of Southampton County for

Appl. Rules To Long Notice Showing Notice to Wm. D. Clarke — 1.00

A. Myrick, Shff

1857 John M. Gurley Esq. of W. A. Spark del.
Is Sheriff Southampton County Va.

To duly M. C. Notice to L. P. Nicholson M. H. Clark J. M. Gurley
Clark & Pope M. B. Shands L. R. Edwards Martha
A. Hummer R. Darden of Peter Edwards } 4 50
Marden off-

Gurley J M

2 L. 9

John M Gurley Esq. Wm. A. Spark Esq.

1849 To the Clerk Southampton Div. Sup: Ct. B.

Nov. Attorney 8. plea 15. order 36 papers 18 ad Parker's ad. 77

Wm H. Nicholson 36 docketing & attorney 8. papers 18
dismission 25. confirming dismission 36. - - - 131

May. Attorney 8. plea 15 papers 18 ad Vaughan . . . 41

249

SR Edwards Esq

Gurley John M

4.30

119

119

44

186

112

249

424

692

72

108

54

4.20

30.24

John M Gurvey Exor. William A Sparks decd

1829

To the Clerk Southampton County D.

July. To probat of Will &c.

2.00

Nov. Copy 2 decds of trust from Nicholson to Sparks trustee.

2.00

do 1 do " " do to Melkin 30

4.30

J. R. Edwards (cl)

Burley J. M.

6.92

2.49

4.30

8.38

2.14

.30

1.00

1.00

26.73

John M. Gurley Exor: Wm. A. Sparks

1848

To the Clerk Southampton Cir: Sup: Court D.

Nov: Filing bill 15 papers 26. docketing 18 attorney 8. bond 75.	
Issuing Subpoena & Injunction 68. return 35 W. Nicholas & 3	2 15
Continuances at Rules 50 - Rule 50	1 00
Issuing Subpoena in chancery & W. Nicholas 13 return 35.	
49 - docketing 18. attorney 8. bill 15 papers 26. Rule 50 Cont: 8	2 03
May Leave to amend bill 36 remanding cause to Rules 36.	72
" Same fees in the other case.	72
	6 92

S. R. Edwards Clk

Wm. A. Spark

23 S. 2002

Selmer

\$ 7.86.
15.82

1847.

William A. Sparks

To M. M. Sebrall

w^m
\$ c^t

Jan: 28 To mending Plough & 1 1/2 lb. Ir. ——— " 48
 Febr: .2 To making two bed-pins. ——— " 75
 " To ironing frames & 1 lb. Ir. ——— " 45
 10 To repairing iron for steer-yoke. ——— " 25
 24 To mending two Clivis. ——— " 25
 Mar: 22 To stripping & pointing two P. hoes. — " 75
 " To 3 lb. Iron. ——— " 21
 Apr: 20 To making P. hoe, weight, 5 1/2 lb. — " 92
 26 To do ——— 5 1/2 lb. — " 56
 May 18 To setting weeding hoe. ——— " 66
 19 To laying two Coulters, & 4 lb. Ir. — " 78
 " To mending two Clivis & plough. — " 50
 " To repairing Plough. ——— " 25
 20 To making two butts for Deagon. — " 25
 22 To making two Clivis. ——— " 75
 Oct: 22 To mending two Shovels. — " 25
 Rec^d May 23/1848 of John M. Emery agent
 of W. A. Sparks the above account in full \$ 7-86

M^r Sebrall Rec^d ofA. M. Sebrall dec^r

2.4.18
 94.46
 4.47
 28.64

For the within and
 of I hereby

R. O. Brown

✓

John D. Gentry
 Inc. Gentry

Enclosed

\$24.18 Rec^d of the Cash. of the Farmers' Bank
of Virginia at its office at Petersburg, Monty
four dollars 18cts - in full of execution
for costs in Chancery from the Circuit Supr.
Court of Law and Chancery for Surren
County, in favour of W. Parker's admr. agt,
the President, Directors &c. of said Bank:
which will return satisfd. -

June 14. 1847

May J. Wallace

attor^y for Parker's ad.

24. 18
4. 48
28. 64

24. 18
148. 08
2. 90. 16
73. 74
5.
368

Mr. John. M. Greeley.
Jerusalem

Jan. 19. 1848.

Dear Sir,

I forgot to mention to you this evening, that William Beal came here last week after some Fodder, which he said he had bought from you.

I delivered to him Eleven hundred and Seventy five weight, the Fodder was very indifferent and weighed very badly.

Very Respectfully Yr friend
Eustace Parker

Gurley J. M.

8.38

John M. Gurley Esq. William A. Sparks

1849	To the Clerk Southampton Levied Supr Court.	D.
July.	Filing amended bill 15. Rule 50 process to d. return 35 continuance 8.	} 2.01
Oct.	Rule 50. v. Nicholson & Co.	
.	Same fees in the other case v. Nicholson & Co.	2.01
Nov.	Deceit for account v. Nicholson & Co 36. Copy 18. Copy papers for Com. 270.	3.24
	Filing report 8.	.08
'50	Order recommending report 36 copy 18. Copy Report for Com. 50.	1.04
May.		8.38

S. R. Edwards c

December 31. st 1848. Recd. of Jas. M. Gurley Executor
of William A. Sparks and the sum of \$1000
dollars in full for crying property of decedent
(Land, negro, & personal estate)

Jas. Drury

Dr. Sparks Est.
1848

To Jno M. Gundry Em⁴

To Cash paid Cry on at Sale of Land

—

\$5.00

Printed _____

\$150.00.

cost of protest _____

2.25.

Net. from Sidg. M^{rs} 1848. 15

3.75.

Net. 23^d 1848. —

156.00

1848. Net. 23^d Rec^d of John M. Gouley Esq.
of Wm. A. Shank du^o one hundred and
fifty six dollars in full of this note
Net. & cost —

J. F. Mearns.

7508-

Wm. A. Shank-

\$150.00-

July 19, 1848-

Net \$150.00-

Net to Aug 22^d 35

14 days - 35

Net to 2.25

\$152.60

\$225-

\$150

Norfolk, April 17th 1848-

Ninety days after date for value rec^d I promise to pay
to John Y. Mason, or order, One hundred and fifty dollars, payable
and negotiable at the Exchange Bank of Virginia without offset-

Credit Drawer {
J.Y.M. }

William A. Spark, by
J.Y. Mason Att^y for -

Indorsed:

J.Y. Mason -

United States of America, } SS.
VIRGINIA - ~~City~~ of Norfolk. }

BE IT KNOWN, That on this nineteenth day of July
in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty eight at the
request of The Exchange Bank of Virginia

I, Abraham J. Leonard, a Notary Public, in and for the City aforesaid, by lawful authority duly commissioned, and
sworn, did present the Original Note (a true copy whereof is above written)
to the Teller at the counter of the said Bank in Norfolk and demanded
payment thereof Whereupon he replied - "Not a sufficiency of funds to
meet it" which answer not being satisfactory - I having learned that the
Maker had departed this life since executing the said Note, & that there
was no person in Norfolk to whom I could apply for payment - I addressed
a written notice to the Indorser at "Washington D.C." & deposited it in the Post Office at Norfolk -

WHEREUPON, I, the said Notary, at the request aforesaid, did protest, and by these presents do publicly and solemnly Protest as well against
the Maker - and Indorser of the said Note as against all others whom it doth or may concern, for all loss, damage,
exchange, re-exchange, principal, interest and costs already incurred, and to be hereafter incurred, for want of Payment of said Note.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand, and affixed my Notarial Seal, the day and
year above written.

A. J. Leonard - Notary Public.

\$3.25

4508

N. A. Spark

150. —

July 1891

J. J. Moore

\$ 150 —

Norfolk. April 17.th 1848.

Ninety days after date for value recd. I
promise to pay to John G. Mason or order One
hundred and fifty dollars, payable and
negotiable at the Exchange Bank of Virginia
without off-set.

Credit Draccer —

J. G. M.

William I. Sparkley
J. G. Mason, Atty. in

11. 62.

2154

J. M. Guley

250

23 January

James Magrath

Delosburg October 25. 1848

Ninety days after date for value
ac. I promise to pay to James Maget or order
two hundred and fifty dollar payable
and negotiable at the Branch exchange
Bank beginning with out of set

C. J.
J. M.

Jno. M. Gurley

Protested for want of money
26 January 1849

Oct 22 25

Protest
 Jm M Guileys note \$250
 Cost of protest 225
 \$252.25

for money 270 67
 24.00
 294.67

26 January 1849

Bank

note & protest \$252.25
 14 Mo 22 day Int. 5
 6 17 apr 1850 } 18 42
 \$270.67

Recd the above amt of \$270.67 of James
 Mayet per Wm B Shands Esq in full of this
 note with interest & cost of protest

Petersburg 19 Apr 1850. Chas Jones & Wm Wiggins
 By W. L. Watkins

James Mayet
 Indorsed

Jm.
 C. Jr

John M Guiley

Twenty days after date for value received, I promise
 to pay to James Mayet or order two hundred fifty
 Dollars, payable on Negotiable at the Bank Exchange
 Bank Virginia without effort

Petersburg October 23 1848

STATE OF VIRGINIA, TOWN OF PETERSBURG, TO WIT.

BE IT KNOWN, That on this *twenty Sixth* day of *January* in the year of our Lord 1849, at the request of the Cashier of the Office of Discount and Deposits of the *Exchange* BANK OF VIRGINIA, at Petersburg, Bearer of the Original Negotiable Note — whereof a true copy is on the other side written, I, *Robt D Jackson* — Notary Public, by lawful authority duly commissioned and qualified, this day, during the *usual business hours*, personally presented the said Original Negotiable Note, at the Office of ~~Discount and Deposits~~ *of the Exchange Bank of Va* at Petersburg, where the same is made payable, and then and there demanded payment thereof, from the *Teller* of said Bank, (the time limited thereon having expired,) who refused to pay the same; returning for answer "I cannot pay this note"

Wherefore, I, the said Notary, at the request aforesaid, have protested, and by these presents do solemnly protest, as well against the *Maker* and *Endorser* of the said Negotiable Note as against all others whom it may or doth concern, for all costs, charges, damages and interest suffered, or to be suffered, in consequence of the non-payment thereof.

THUS DONE AND PROTESTED, in Petersburg aforesaid, and on the same day I *Deposited in the Post Office in this place, a written Notice addressed to James Hagel, Jerusalem Southampton County Virginia*

informing him of the Maturity and Protest for non-payment of said Negotiable Note, and that the holder looks to him for the payment of the same with all costs and interest thereon.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have herunto set my hand, and affixed my Notarial Seal, the day and year aforesaid.

Protest, \$1 00
State Tax, 1 25
\$2 25

Robt D Jackson
Notary Public.

TOWN OF PETERSBURG, to wit: *Robt D Jackson* — Notary Public, appeared this day personally before me, an Alderman of said town, and made oath to the facts stated in the above protest. Given under my hand this *27th* day of *January* 1849

W E Hunter

1001 ~~958~~

J Maget

250.

7 October

Jno. W. Burley

#250

Petersburg Va June 7th 1848.

Four months after date I promise to pay to John
Mc Guley the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars
without offset negotiable and payable at the branch
of the Exchange Bank of Virginia at Petersburg for
value received

cr. drawer

W. M. G.

James Cheset

\$250.00
Petersburg Va
Oct 10 1848

\$250

Petersburg Va June 7th 1828.

Four Months after date I promise to pay to
John M Gurley, the Sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars.
without effort. negotiable and payable at the Branch of the
Exchange Bank of Virginia at Petersburg. for value
received.

James Magel

Cr. Drawn

J.M.G.

Endorse

Jno. M. Gurley

Enclosed

Blank

Profit
James Magel's note 250
Cost of Profit 225
\$252.25
And from 10 625 Oct 1828 63
10 625 1828 252.88

STATE OF VIRGINIA, TOWN OF PETERSBURG, TO WIT.

BE IT KNOWN, That on this *Tenth* day of *October* in the year of our Lord 1848, at the request of the Cashier of the Office of Discount and Deposits of the *Exchange* — BANK OF VIRGINIA, at Petersburg, Bearer of the Original Negotiable Note whereof a true copy is on the other side written, I, *Robt T Jackson* Notary Public, by lawful authority duly commissioned and qualified, this day, during the usual business hours, personally presented the said Original Negotiable Note, at the Office of ~~the Bank~~ ^{discount & deposits} of the *Exchange Bank of Va* at Petersburg, where the same is made payable, and then and there demanded payment thereof, from the *Teller* of said Bank, (the time limited thereon having expired,) who refused to pay the same; returning for answer "*I cannot pay this Note*"

Wherefore, I, the said Notary, at the request aforesaid, have protested, and by these presents do solemnly protest, as well against the *Maker* and *Endorser* of the said *Negotiable Note* as against all others whom it may or doth concern, for all costs, charges, damages and interest suffered, or to be suffered, in consequence of the non-payment thereof.

THUS DONE AND PROTESTED, in Petersburg aforesaid, and on the same day I Deposited in the Post Office in this place a written Notice addressed to *Mr M Gurley Jerusalem Southampton County Virginia*

informing him of the Maturity and Protest for non-payment of said Negotiable Note, and that the holder looks to him for the payment of the same with all costs and interest thereon.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my Notarial Seal, the day and year aforesaid.

Protest, \$1 00

State Tax, 1 25

\$2 25

Robt T Jackson

Notary Public.

TOWN OF PETERSBURG, to wit: *Robt T Jackson* Notary Public, appeared this day personally before me, an Alderman of said town, and made oath to the facts stated in the above protest. Given under my hand this *11th* day of *October* 1848.

Chas. Corling Recorder

Statement of a tree
presented by Dr. Shuck
to Alfred Russel Wallace
and enclosed herewith
J. M. Gentry

Not to be included

discovered Wallace's Wallace & Gentry
this tree is collected in 1848 at 3922' 1000'

Deb't due Decr. 1. 1846

Int. to Apr. 7. 1847 } 1 yr. 4 mo. 6 days

cr. off

\$4392. 11

355. 76

4747. 87

263. 52

\$4484. 35

297. 46

Int. to May 15. 1848. 1 Yr. 1 mo. 8 day

cr off

4781. 81

850. 36

3931. 45

91. 07

Int. to Oct 4. 1848. 4 mo. 19 days

cr off

\$4022. 52

11 52.

The above is a Statement of a bond executed by Wm. Spruck & others to Alfred Ricks, Genl. Hq, which was paid to James Mapenburg Jr. by him, - It fell into the hands his father as his own, and paid off by me as the Executor of Wm. a Spruck did. - There is a credit of \$50. 36. Cents that does not appear on the bond, the credit of \$11.52 was paid by me as the Exr. consequently the amt. paid by me including the \$11.52. is the sum of \$3972. 16. —

Geo. M. Gurley Exr

The \$50. 36 I have charged myself with as money collected

Statement
of Dr. Spruill
1890

Wm A Sparks Bond due 1 Oct 1826 \$ 4392.16

Sub for 1 Year 263.52.66

for 2 Months 87.50.88

for 1 Mo. 21.87.72

" 15 Days 10.93.86

363.85

4392.11

Debt to Sub. May 15. 1828 \$ 2775.96

By payment May 15. 1828 850.36

Balance due May 15. 1828 \$ 3925.60

Sub for 2 Mo & 19 Days (to 2 Oct. 1828) 90.94

due Oct 6. 1828 . . . \$ 4016.54

By Payment in cash . . . \$ 600.00

By Wm Murphy bond 752.00 . . . 1152.00

\$ 2868.54

By John A Gurley's note for the above 2868.54

* The Credit of \$ 850.36/100 consisting of a Payment of 600 made by remittance of a certificate of deposit in a New Orleans bank, and \$ 250.36 placed in my hands by Mr. Murphy on Wm A Sparks account it being a balance our Sparks moiety of a security debt we had jointly to pay —
J. D. Murphy

To the state

James H. McPherson

Wm. H.

Quincy, Ill.

Wm. A. Drake

Rec^d October 4th 1848 of John M. Garley Executor for Wm A Sparks dec^d
the sum of four hundred dollars in part of a note executed by Wm A Sparks and
others payable to Alfred Rick, as Guardian to Mary H. Pettow now deceased
which sum of four hundred dollars is likewise credited this day on the note

J. W. Messerbury adm^r of
James Messerbury dec^d

One day after date we promise and oblige ourselves
 our heirs admors to pay to Alfred Ricks
 Guard of John and Mary Pringle the sum
 of Four thousand Three hundred ^{Two Dollars 11/100} ~~and~~ ^{and} as
 witness our hands and seals this 29th day Nov.

1842

Wm A Spark

J D Mapentury

Clements Rockwell

Jos M Gurley

J Y Mason

(Seal)

(Seal)

(Seal)

(Seal)

(Seal)

October 4. 1848 - Rec^d of John M Gurley Executor of Wm A Spark due four hundred
 dollars in full of the above obligation

J D Mapentury adm^r of James Mapentury dec^d

October the 4th 1848. I hereby againe individually to James D Mapentury adm^r of
 the balance due on the above note after deducting the credit thereon enclosed

Jos M Gurley

20.15.30

83.61.20
 10.07.00

Wm A Sparhawk
To { Bond.
\$4392.11

Novr 29th 1843. Recd two hundred
and sixty three dollars and 52 cts
interest on the within bond
Decr 1st 1844 A.R. grds

Recd two hundred and
sixty three dollars and 52 cts
interest on the within
Decr 1st 1845 A.R. grds

Recd two hundred
and sixty three dollars & 52 cts
interest on the within.

April 22nd 46
Pay the within to
James Macpenburg Jr
without record
to me A.R. Guar

Apr 7. 1847 Recd of Wm A Sparhawk two hundred
and sixty three dollars 52 cts on account of the
within note — I Macpenburg atty. for —
I Macpenburg for —

This note to be enclosing with eight hundred
dollar paid by Wm A Sparhawk May 15th 1847 James Macpenburg
attorney Dickler

Gurley J. M.

2. 14

John M Gurley admor. William A Spark
 1849 To the Clerk Southampton County D.
 Aug. attorney 8 pleads. papers. 18 order 18 ad Crump. 59
 Copy certificate of your qualification 18. annexing Seal 37 Tax. 100. 155
 L.R Edwards & Co 2. 14

Exactor

1849 John McGurley Esq. of West Park
To Sheriff Southampton D
To ex pte in chry vs L P. Nicholson, W.D. &
Shand, W.D. Clark Chant & Pope Sh.
Edwards Richd. Darsen Peter Edward
Mantua Melikin & W. Shoddy - \$500

To David Shiff

Pro M. Gurley

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1849 John M Gurley Esq of W A Spaul

To ex spa in chancery vs L P Richardson
M J Goodwyn - W B Shands & W D Clark } 2.00

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Evacuation

1849 John M. Gurley Exor. of Woodport dead.
2 Shuff Southampton D.

To ex spec in chg of L. F. Nicholson & M. M. M. M. M.
Martha M. M. M. L. K. Edwards James M. M. M.
H. B. Low H. D. Moon W. D. Clark and Chas.
and Rose. ————— 5.00

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Executors

July 26. 1849

Recd. of Jas. M. Guley Executor of Wm. A
Sparks decd. the sum of one dollar in full
for my services as an appraiser of decedents
Estate.
Harrison D. Moore

R. A. Emory
Rm. 13

August 19. 1837

Rem'd of John M. Gurley
Executor of William A. Sparks and the
Sum of One Hundred and four Dollars
73 cts in full of a decree of The Circuit
Super. Court of Law and Chancery from
=non est against. Said Gurley Executor
affirmed at, the full Term of. Said
Court for the year 1837—

Rich^d A. Crump Att^y
of C. Rochelle and^o

B. A. Crump adm.

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Is.

Mr. M. Gouley

E. A.

Decr 16/1857. Verdict of John M. Genley Executor
of William A Sparks decedent the sum of
Four hundred and ninety Dollars in part of a
debt pronounced against said Genley Ex^r as
aforesaid, at the November Term of the Circuit
Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the
County of Southampton.

Rich^d A. Camp
Adm^r W. B. Now of
C, 7 Rochelle St^d

Copy

William A Sparks

Will

New Orleans - April 29th 1847.

I make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament - I wish my land in S. Ampton to be sold by my executor, also my interest in the Steam Boat M^cDonnell: the proceeds of which together with the money due me to be applied to the payment of my debts. If this should not be sufficient to pay my debts then such of my negroes as may be necessary - The balance of my negroes I wish hired out and the proceeds to be paid over yearly to my sister Eliza V Parker, during her life and to be paid to her in person and to no one else - after her death I leave to my friend Mrs. M Gurley if he be alive my two servants old John (and Solomon now with me) and request that he give them their time, my intention being to free them, if Mr. Gurley be not alive then I give the said servants their freedom - The balance of my property of every description except five hundred dollars I leave to be equally divided between my nephews and nieces Eunice Parker and Juliet Parker children of my sister Eliza V Parker, Octavia and Sudon Diggs children of my niece Fanny Diggs and Philip Oldner son of my niece Octavia Oldner. As guardian I advanced for my niece Octavia Oldner who was Octavia Spark about fifteen hundred dollars which I did not claim of Mr. Oldner and expended about five hundred dollars of the principal of her estate. If Mr. Oldner should claim this sum then I revoke that portion of my will in relation to his son. I appoint my friend Mrs. M Gurley my Executor and in addition to his commission I give him five hundred Dollars or six hundred and forty acres of my Texas land to be drawn for by lot as the balance is divided.

Wm A. Spark.

At a court held for the county of Southampton on the 17th day of July 1848 at writing bearing date the 29th day of April 1847 purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William A Spark dec^d was produced in Court in order to be proved and there being no subscribing witnesses to said Will, Lem. P. Nicholson and James D. Kapenburgh being sworn deposed and said that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of the said William A Spark and verily believe that the signature of the said William A Spark to the said writing subscribed as well as the body of the said writing to be in the proper hand writing of the said William A Spark Whereupon it is ordered that the said writing be recorded as and for the last Will and Testament of the said William A Spark. And on the motion of John M Gurley the Executor named in the said Will who made oath and together with John W Gurley and Harrison D Moore his securities entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of twenty thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form.

Attest.

Teste. S. R. Edwards Clerk

Account Current of William A. Sparks Estate.

1. The accounts should be recommended to the same or some other commissioners for examination and settlement: in order to enable the court to dispose of the subject finally.
2. The account should include all the transactions of the exor. up to the time of the settlement.
3. It should show the time of the testator's death, and the time of the exor's qualification.
4. It should show distinctly the several periods at which Guelly sold the property, real & personal of the testator, or also, in what character the same was sold, together with the dates of the exor's transactions as to both debits and credits, generally.
5. There is nothing in the papers to show how this case got before the coroner: was it under an order of the County Court of Southampton? or did they exor. submit the case to the coroner for settlement under the existing law?
6. The ^{agency} account of Guelly should be again made up showing in the usual way the date of the several pay mts, and

showing the amount of principal, the amt
of principal with lawful interest, and
the amount of principal with 12 p. c.
interest -

7. As to the exception, to the effect that Gurley
was ~~in error~~ in failing to pay, ^{out of the assets of Shanks,} the judgment
recorded against Edwards and himself,
no person can be estopped ^{under} ~~from~~ the
present state of the case: Copies of the
bond and judgment should be filed, and
such other information furnished upon
the coming in of the reformed account
as to enable the Court to learn the cir-
cumstances, of which it is now altogether
ignorant.
8. The ~~two~~ ^{big} leading question involved in this
case, ^{is} as to the legal effect of the power
of atty, and the right of Gurley under it
to charge 12 p. c. upon the advan-
-ce made by him, can be more prop-
-ly decided upon the return of the
next report -

R. H. Baker

note

Let there be an account of all the transactions between Mr Gentry & Mr Spark, ^{from the power of atty} up to the day of the death of the latter.

Let all advances be ruled out as usurious.

For the balance, which will consist entirely of money of Spark, collected and paid out by Mr Gentry, let Mr Gentry have 5 percent commissions.

The commissioner will then strike the balance between Mr Gentry & Mr Spark, and go on with the Executive account.

In the latter he will charge Mr Gentry with the slaves and tools, &c and bonds and open account, left uncollected at Spark's death.

and he will credit him with payments made since Spark's death.

He will consider the bonds, taken up by Gentry as cancelled and he will refuse to credit him with the advances, because usurious.

He will then ascertain and show how Gentry's executive account stands.

If agreeable to Mr Gentry he will report his account as rendered by him. He will report the objection of Mr Edwards that the agency should not run beyond the lifetime of Spark, and his sustaining the objection.

He will report that Mr Gentry insisted that under the power of atty he was entitled to be substituted to the rights of the bond creditors; and his sustaining his right so to do; and to rank as a specialty creditor, provided his advances were legal. But he will further report that his advances were objected to as usurious and the objection sustained.

Thus the position of each party will appear & the decision of the Commissioner.