1870-001 Chancery Causes: Augustus H. Holland, James B. Norfleet & Robert J. Eley, for & c. vs
Isle of Wight County Wiley Watkins' admr, Henning Watkins' admr &d

Petition of Lydia Bond

other SURNAMES: Ashburn, Rawls
Goodman, Pinner, Wright
Darden, [McClenny v. Darden],
McClenny, [Rawls v. Brother]
[E Rawls v. Company], Vaughan,
[Ashburn v. Watkins], Brinkley,
[Eley v. Brinkley]

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Augustus H. Hollan's
&c.

n. 3 Chancery Papers.

Meredith H. Watkins
adm of Wiley Watkins
dec'd. &al:

1867.

Jany. rules Bill &c. filed
& decree nisi vs. adult
defts. pro. ad Clum &c. &
To infants, Ans. and. filed
& replied.

Feby. rules - Bill taken
for confessed & set for
hearing.

May 1867 - Decree for acts.
Sept. 16. 1867 Report. filed.
Octo. " Cond.
S. of U.S. Cir. Ct
(Apl. 6th. 1868 Report. of
dower filed)
May 1868 - Decree for addl.

Sale. 1868. Cond.

May 1869 - Cond.

Sept. 6. 1869 - Report.
of sale filed.

Octo. 1869. Decree
to collect &c.

May 1870.
final decree.

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Augustus N. Holland &c.

vs } Bill

M. H. Watkins Admr
of Wiley Watkins dec'd
and others.

J. of Pl. Cir. Ct.

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and sisters of the half blood, each a half share, to wit: Winney, Caroline J.; John & William Watkins —

your Complainants charge that the personal estate of the said Wiley Watkins (senior) deceased & of the said Henning Watkins dec'd. is insolvent & that the real estate of said Intestates, is required to pay their debts —

In consideration whereof, and as this Court has jurisdiction to grant due proper relief — To the End your Complainants pray that Meredith H. Watkins admor. of Wiley Watkins dec'd; Alexander H. Ashburn admor. of Henning Watkins dec'd — Mary Jane Watkins, Winney Watkins; Caroline A. Watkins; John Watkins & William Watkins; the last three Infants — may be made Defendants hereto and be compelled to answer the allegations herein: That due proper accounts may be taken to ascertain the condition of the personal estates of said Wiley Watkins (sr.) dec'd & Henning Watkins dec'd; That an account of all debts and demands against the said Wiley Watkins and the said Henning Watkins dec'd may be had: That the Real estate may be sold to pay your Complainants' demands after assigning to said Mary Jane Watkins' her dower therein, and that all other and further relief may be granted consistent with Equity &c

John R. Kilby p. q.

and leaving as his heirs at law his sisters Winney & Caroline J. and brothers John & William of the whole blood, being sisters and brothers, by the said Wiley Watkins, and the same mother now dead; and two brothers of the half blood by the said Mary Jane Watkins, the second wife of the said Wiley Watkins dec'd. to wit: Charles & Wiley C. both Infants - the said John & William also being Infants.

That after the death of said Wiley Watkins dec'd and of said Henning Watkins, the said Infant Wiley Watkins died, to wit: on the day of May 1862, without issue & Intestate, leaving as his heirs at law to the portion of land to which he derived title to by the descent from his said father (Wiley Watkins dec'd.), his brother of the whole blood, Charles Watkins, and his brothers and sisters of the half blood, to wit: Winney; Caroline J; Henning; John & William Watkins — That on the day of August 1865, the said Charles Watkins died Intestate, without issue, being entitled to an Interest in said Real estate, derived by descent from his father, which passed to the following parties, to wit: his brothers and sisters of the half blood, to wit: his Winney, Caroline J., John & William Watkins: and that as to the part which the said Charles died possessed of as derived by the death of his Brother Wiley, of the whole blood and his brother Henning of the half blood, the following are his heirs, to wit: his mother, the said Mary Jane Watkins, a full share, & his said brothers

war, leaves his estate insolvent, except as to his interest in the real estate of his said father, which your Complainants pray may be applied to pay his Debts — That the said Henning Watkins died indebted to your Complainant Ro. J. Eley the sum of $40. with Interest from the 12th of September 1860, as may be seen by Bond filed herewith marked (C). That the said Henning Watkins is also indebted to others, as your Complainants believe —

Your Complainants, further say, That the said Wiley Watkins, is indebted to your Complainant James B. Norfleet the sum of $77.01. with Interest from the 3d day of January 1858, subject to a credit of $30. on the 26th Nov. 1858, as will appear by Bond filed herewith marked (D.): and that he is also indebted to your Complainant, James B. Norfleet the sum of $161.01, with Interest from 1st January 1860, as will appear by account filed herewith marked (E.).

That the said Wiley Watkins is also indebted to your Complainant, augustus H. Holland the sum of $27.93, with Interest from the 1st day of January 1858, as will appear by Bond filed herewith marked (F.).

Your Complainants further say, That the said Henning Watkins died Intestate as above stated and was never married had no children &

belonging to said deceased—

That the said Wiley Watkins left as his heirs at Law, and distributees, his widow, named Mary Jane, and the following Children, to wit: Henning; Winney, Caroline C., John, William, Charles, Wiley C. Watkins, the last three Infants—

That the said deceased, died possessed of the following real estate, to wit: (1st) The Home place, containing one hundred acres, more or less, on which there is no dwelling house, the same having been burnt by the Federal troops in the late war, and which tract adjoins the Lands of M. H. Watkins, David Roberts, & Thos. Marshall. (2d) The "white tract" containing one hundred and twenty five acres, more or less, adjoining the Lands of Benj.a F. Roberts, Jno. Duck, & others; (3d.) The "Charlotte Watkins Land" containing two hundred and fifty acres, more or less and adjoining the Lands of Thomas Marshall & others—

That the said Henning Watkins died in august 1862, Intestate, and that Alexander H. Ashburn qualified as his administrator in the County Court of Isle of Wight County on the 1st day of February 1864, as will be seen by a copy of the order of Court filed herewith and marked (B.)— That the said Henning Watkins' estate consisted at his death of an interest in his said fathers (Wiley Watkins') negroes, which having been lost by the

To the Hon: Richard A. Baker, Judge of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

Complaining shew unto the Court, your Complainant Augustus A. Holland, and James B. Triplett and Robt I. Ely who sue for themselves and all other Creditors of Wiley Watkins and of Henning Watkins, deceased, who may make themselves parties to this suit on the usual terms.

Your Complainants respectfully represent to the Court and say, That Wiley Watkins died in the County of Isle of Wight, Intestate, on the day of June 1859, and that Meredith H. Watkins duly qualified as his administrator in the County Court of Isle of Wight County, on the day of , as will appear by a duly certified Copy of said order filed herewith as part of this Bill marked (A).

That the said Meredith H. Watkins as such administrator, proceeded to administer the said estate & as your Complainant has been informed, has disbursed all the estate that came to his hands. — That the negroes were sold by said administrator, as they were making efforts to run off & go within the Federal lines, and nothing but Confederate States Treasury notes received therefor, which he converted into 8 per cent Confederate States Bonds, so that there is now no estate, except the Land,

Holland &c
v
Watkins

Petition of
Stokes Beal
Filed 19th Oct
1869.

a Bond dun by Cly. Stleans Bro.
Stoddick Spikes Beal & Wily Watkins
as security, was paid to J. W. Ouch
by said Beal the now asks to have
his claim for relief allowed against
Wily Watkins Def. in Cly. suit
of Stleans & vs. Watkins &
amo. 34.50 Spikes Beal
Int from 25 Dec 1856. by Jno R. Kelly

Holland dal.

v

Watkins adm'r

answer of

A. H. Ashburn adm'r

of Henning Watkins

dec'd.

~~Jan~~ May ct.

~~Accepted~~ 1867 filed

The answer of Alexander H. Ashburn adm.
of Henning Watkins dec'd. to a Bill in Chancery
exhibited in the circuit Court of Isle of Wight County,
by Augustus H. Holland & others against Meredith
H. Watkins adm'r. of Wiley Watkins dec'd. & others,

This Respondent says, that it is true he
qualified as the adm'r. of Henning Watkins
dec'd., as set forth in said Bill — that he received
of M. H. Watkins adm'r. of Wiley Watkins dec'd.
the sum of $739.89 in confederate money, arising
from the sales of the slaves of said Wiley Watkins
dec'd, made by said M. H. Watkins ~~after they had~~
as such adm'r, to save their value, and to prevent
them from escaping within the Federal lines at that
time — that the money was invested by said M. H.
Watkins as such adm'r. in 8 per cent Confederate
States Bonds, which were divided under a Chancery
suit in Isle of Wight County Court; and which
are now in this Respondents hands and are
worthless — that the estate of said Henning Watkins
is entirely insolvent, — unless there may be some small
sum coming to him from the real estate of his said
father (Wiley Watkins dec'd) and having ans-
wered, prays to be dismissed &c.

signed

A. H. Ashburn

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 7. Jany.
1867.

A. P. C. Jones clk.

whenever required -

and having amended &c.

signed.

N. H. Walbridge

Jany 3rd 1867 Sworn to before me

A. H. Ashburn N.P.

Holland &c.

vs.

Walbridge &al.

Answer of

N. H. Walbridge &Son,

& Wiley Walbridge &c &c.

Filed May 6th 1867 & filed

The answer of Meredith D. Watkins adm'r. of Wiley Watkins dec'd. to a Bill in Chancery exhibited in the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County against him and others by Augustus D. Holland & others.

This Respondent says. That he did qualify as the adm'r. of Wiley Watkins dec'd. as stated, and proceeded to settle up the estate as far as he could, and as the estate then (including negroes) was ample to pay all debts due by the deceased, he proceeded to pay the same as fast as possible and expended all the assets received by him except the negroes — That the war came on and every thing became greatly disorganized and finding that the negroes were about to escape within the Federal lines, he, in order to save their value as far as possible, invested a portion and sold them for Confederate States Treasury notes which he invested in 8 per cent Bonds of said Confederate states, which Bonds have been destroyed by a suit brought in the County Court of Isle of Wight (Watkins & al. vs. Watkins adm'r.) so that he has no estate now in his hands, he refers to his administration accounts duly settled before a Commissioner of Isle of Wight County Court & duly confirmed & recorded — That he was not aware that the intestate owed so many debts which had not been paid — He is ready to render his accounts

Holland &c

v

Watkins &c

Answer of
Defts. Defts.

Filed January 1867

Caroline C. Watkins.

The joint and separate answer of Jno. Watkins and William Watkins Infants by A. P. Young their guardian ad litem, to a Bill in chancery exhibited in the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County by A. B. Holland Solicitor.

These defendants say, That they are Infants, and ignorant of their just rights & therefore submit their interests to the protection of the Court, & pray that no order or decree may be made by the Court inconsistent with their rights.

signed

Executed Dec. 19th 1866 & a true Copy Lease delivered to Mary Jane Watkins

Wm Eby Sh

Wm Eby Sh

Mary Jane Watkins

Watkins Road Sub.

To Jany Rents 1867

Cr. by

Wm Eby Esq.

The Commonwealth of Virginia, Nansemond

To the Sheriff of the County of ~~Isle of Wight~~, Greeting:

We command you to summon Mary Jane Watkins

to appear on the first Monday in January next, (being Rule day), at the Clerk's office, of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, directed to be holden at the Courthouse thereof, to answer the Bill in Chancery of Augustus A. Holland James B. Norfleet and Ro. J. Eley (who sue for themselves and all other creditors of Wiley Watkins dec'd) filed against her & others.

and have then and there this writ.

Witness, Nathaniel P. Young, Clerk of our said Court, this 12th day of Dec. 1866, and in the 91 st year of the Commonwealth.

N. P. Young Clk.

[A copy to be delivered to each defendant.]

a copy N. P. Young Clk.

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The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of Isle of Wight, Greeting:

We command you to summon Meredith H. Watkins adm'r of Wiley Watkins dec'd, Alexander H. Ashburn adm'r of Manning Watkins dec'd; Mary Jane Watkins; Minney Watkins, Caroline E. Watkins, John Watkins & William Watkins (the last three infants)

to appear on the first Monday in January next, (being Rule day), at the Clerk's office, of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, directed to be holden at the Courthouse thereof, to answer the Bill in Chancery of Augustus H. Holland, James B. Norfleet & Robert J. Eley who sue for themselves and all other creditors of Wiley Watkins dec'd.

and have then and there this writ.

Witness, Nathaniel P. Young, Clerk of our said Court, this 12th day of December 1866, and in the 91st year of the Commonwealth.

N. P. Young Clk.

[A copy to be delivered to each defendant.]

In Obedience to the command of the Circuit Court of Pitt County bearing date May the 10th 1869. We to us the undersigned Commissioners in pursuance thereto On the 28th day of March 1868. Met On the premises of the late Hilly Matthews deceased. And after mature deliberation we came to the conclusion that the tract or Parcel of Land known as the residence of the late Hilly Matthews dec'd. was One third of the real Estate belonging to said dec'd Estate. which we assigned the same to Mrs. Mary Matthews who was the widow of said deceased. But since Survey and in consequence of Locations (All the buildings on said Plantation was destroyed by the Federal forces during the war. Consequently we Valued it Only for the Land and Timber Very poor and almost Sterile in Certain according to the Land Book 124 acres. This we think is a fair assignment to her and will Leave the other tracts to the Estate to be disposed off as the Hon'd Court may direct and we would advise all the parties Concerned to have the Home tracts Sold and the widow take her moity in fee Simple all of which we most Respectfully submit to your Honor

Thos. J. Marshall
Josiah P. Pitt
Thos. J. Clements

Comm'rs

A.

Dr. The Estate of Wiley Watkins deceased
In account with Meredith N. Watkins his administrator.

1864			
Augt.	By balance due the estate this day as per account made up & rendered to the County Court of Isle of Wight County on 23rd. of March 1864 in pursuance of a decree of the said Court in the suit therein then pending between Camilla C. Watkins & others plaintiffs and M. N. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins & others defendants, wholly in Confederate States treasury notes		6299 08
1867	" Interest on said balance to 1st. Sept. 1867.		1165 33
Sept. 1	Balance of principal & interest in Confd. Money		$7464 41

B.

The Estate of Henning Watkins deceased
In account with Alexander N. Ashburn his administrator.

1864			
Dec. 31	To commissions on $739. 89 receipts	36 99	
1865 Feby. 1	" Balance due the estate for contra	702 90	
1864			
Dec. 31	By this sum received of M. N. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins dec'd under decree of Isle of Wight County Court, all in Confederate money which became speedily worthless and is now in the hands of the admr.		$739 89
		$739 89	$739 89
1865 Feb. 1.	By balance above brot. down		702 90
1867 Feb. 1	" interest on same to date		108 94
"	" Balance of principal & int. due this day in Confd. money		$811 84

C.

An account of all debts and demands against the estate of Wiley Watkins dec'd. and their dignity.

	1st. 2nd. & 3rd. Class — None.		
	4th. Class.		
Feby 1	Augustus N. Holland Bond due 1. Janry. 1858	27 93	
1	Interest thereon to 15. Octo. 1867	16 48	44 41
Feby	Robert A. Pinner Bond due 1st. Janry. 1859	45 20	
2	Interest thereon to 15. Octo. 1867	23 84	69 04
	Amt. carried forw'd.		$113 45

	Amt. of Debts brought forwd.			113	45
Kilby 3	James B. Norfleet balance of bond 26. Nov. 1858	51	11		
	Int. thereon to 15. Octo. 1867	27	25	78	36
" 4	Same Acct. 1. Jany. 1861	161	31		
	Int. thereon	65	61	226	92
" 5	A. S. and Ro. M. Darden Acct. 1. Jany. 1860	15	91		
	Int. thereon	7	44	23	35
" 6	McClenny & Darden bal. on bond 4. Feby. 1858	33	17		
	Interest thereon	19	29	52	46
7	Rawls & Britton bond dew 16. Jany. 1858	84	38		
	Int. thereon	49	36	133	74
8	Edward Rawls bond dew 26. Decr. 1854	19	87		
	Int. thereon	15	34	35	21
9	E. Rawls & Co. account dew 1. Jany. 1860 (Hart)	7	21		
	Int. thereon	3	36	10	57
10	John Vaughan bond dew 2nd. March 1858	44	89		
	Int. thereon	25	92	70	81
	Total amt. of debts forwd			$ 444	57

D.

An account of all Debts and Demands against Denning Watkins deceased and his estate, and their dignity.

1st. Class. None.

2nd. Class.

1	To A. N. Ashburn admr. for fees of administration paid by him in good Currency			2	84

3rd. Class. None.

4th. Class.

Kilby 1	" Ashburn & Watkins Bond dew 1. Jany. 1861	10	45		
	Interest thereon to 15. Octo. 1867	4	22	14	67
" 2	" Same Bond 1. Jany. 1861	72	00		
	Interest to 15. Octo. 1867	29	34	101	34
" 3	" Gilbert J. Clay Bond 12th Sept. 1860	40	00		
	Interest to 15. Octo. 1867	17	05	57	05
	Total amt. of Debts forwd			$ 175	90

E.

An account of the real estate of which Wiley Watkins died seized and possessed, or entitled to, and its fee simple & annual value.

A tract of 124 acres of land adjoining Edwin L. Ballard & others, fee simple value thereof	⅓	$220 00
A tract of 103 acres of land adjoining same fee simple value thereof	⅓	206 00
A tract of 50 acres adjoining same, fee simple value		116 00
Total fee simple value		$542 00

Annual value of said land - Nothing.

F.

Account of real estate of which Henning Watkins died seized and possessed, or entitled to, & its fee simple value & annual Value

1/7 of 277 acres of land, being the land whereof his father, Wiley Watkins died seized & possessed value in fee simple at annual value Nothing.	$7742

Commissioners Office, Isle of Wight County.
September 6th. 1867.

To the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

Pursuant to a decree of the circuit court of Isle of Wight County, rendered on the 16th. day of May 1867, in a suit therein pending wherein Augustus N. Holland & James B. Norfleet suing for themselves & others plaintiffs and Meredith N. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins & others defendants, requiring a commissioner of the said court to take & state & report the following accounts, First - An account of Meredith N. Watkins transaction as administrator of Wiley Watkins dec'd, & if any account, how far rendered as prima facie correct, subject to be surcharged and falsified - Second, an account of the transactions of Alexander H. Ashburn as administrator of Henning Watkins dec'd. Third - An account of all debts and demands against said Wiley Watkins dec'd or his estate, and their dignity. Fourth - An account of all debts and demands against said Henning Watkins dec'd, or his estate, and their dignity. Fifth - An account of the real estate of which said Wiley Watkins died seized & possessed, or entitled to, and its fee simple and annual value. And Sixth - An account of the real estate

of which Nerving Watkins died possessed or entitled to, and its fee simple & annual value & which were shewn to the Commissioner by the parties & for settlement. The Commissioner reports to the Court that on the 15th day of July last, he issued notice to the several parties, which notice, in lieu of personal service on the parties, was, as directed by said decree, published in the Christian Sun, a news paper published in Suffolk, a copy of which notice is herewith filed, and on the day so appointed, the Commissioner proceeded from the evidence before him, to state and settle & report the foregoing accounts, marked respectively A. B. C. D. E. & F. Account A. is of the transactions of N. N. Watkins as administrator of Wiley Watkins dec'd. and shows on the 1st. day of Sept. 1865, a balance in his hands of $74.64.11 all of which, as appears by a former account of his transactions, reported to & confirmed by the County Court of Isle of Wight, was in Confederate money which came to his hands in the due course of his administration and was for the most part invested by him in Confederate State 8 per cents bonds, and which are now in his hands worthless.

Account B. shows the transactions of A. K. Holborn as the admr. of Nerving Watkins dec'd. and exhibits a balance on the 1. Sept. 1867, of $811.84, which is composed entirely of Confederate money which came to his hands in 1864, and is now in the hands of the said administrator, worthless.

Account C. is of the debts and demands against the estate of Wiley Watkins dec'd. and shows the amount of said debts, with interest included to 15th Oct. 1867 to be $1144.57.

Account D. is of the debts and demands against the estate of Nerving Watkins dec'd. and shows the amount of said debts, with similar interest included to be $1,745.99.

Account E. is of the real estate whereof Wiley Watkins died possessed or to which he was entitled. And shows the fee simple value thereof $542.00 and the annual value nothing. The only evidence to sustain this account, found in the Commissioners [illegible] from the land book in the Clerks Office. No other evidence to show that the land is worth annually, any thing.

Account F. shows the real estate to which Nerving Watkins died entitled, to wit: One seventh of the land of his father Wiley Watkins dec'd. supposed to be worth $14.14.

The accounts thereon before mentioned, as reported to the

County court, of the transactions of M. S. Watkins as admr. of Wiley Watkins dec'd, are herewith filed as part of this report. After completing the foregoing accounts, they were retained in your Commissions office for ten days.

Given under my hand as a Commissioner of the said Court this day and year first aforesaid.

J. P. Youngblood,

Commission for $10.50
Publishing notice 12.50
$23 00

Holland & als.

v. } Canv. Rebat.

Within admt. &c.

Sept. 16. 1867 filed
in the cause.

Eq. r.

A. N. Holland &als.

Copy from
Decree to
assign dower
to evidence
Rept. of dower

v.

Wiley Watkins admr.
& als.

Apl. 6. 1868 Rept. of
assmt. of dower filed.

At a Circuit Court held for the County of Isle of Wight, on the 16th. day of May 1867.

Augustus H. Holland &c. . . . Compts:
against } In Chancery.
W. H. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins dec'd:
A. H. Ashburn admr. of Henning Watkins dec'd:
Mary J. Watkins, Winney Watkins, Caroline C. Watkins, John Watkins & Wiley Watkins (last two infants). Defts:

"And the Court doth further adjudge, order and decree that Thomas J. Marshall, Josiah P. Gay, Thomas J. Clements and John L. Marshall be; and they are hereby appointed commissioners for that purpose (any three of whom may act) to set apart and assign to Mary Jane Watkins, one third in value, of the lands of her late husband Wiley Watkins dec'd; as and for her dower therein, and make report to the Court."

Copy.

Teste, W. P. Young Clk.

Holland & Ors
vs
Walker & Ors

Report of sales

Sept. 6. 1869 - filed

1564 Rec'd of the Clerk & S. Wright Circuit Court the three several Bonds filed with this Report, for execution as directed by Decree of Oct. 19 1869.

1869 aug. 2.d Recd of E. L. Eley, Sh.
& Com. sixty two dollars & 13c. costs for
atty. Clerk & Sh.. - being costs in foregoing case
John R Kelly atty

Nett sales brt. on $528.05

Costs brt. on as paid $62.13

To 5 Per cent Comn on $300. 15.00

" 2 D°. on $215. 4.30

$81.43

" for advertising sale &c. &c. 5.52

$86.95

Jno. J. Watkins & W. J. Watkins executed their Bond with Stephen G. Darden & A. H. Ashburn as Security dated 1st March 1869 payable at 6 months with Interest from date for $206.07

N. D. Pue executed his Bond with A. H. Ashburn security for $150.57

M. D. Watkins executed his Bond with A. H. Ashburn as Security for 171.71 $528.05

The title to said Lands has been retained as directed by said decree.

Respectfully submitted

E. L. Ellyson Comr.

To the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

The Undersigned respectfully reports to Court, that pursuant to the decree of said Court made on the 18th day of May 1868 in the cause therein pending wherein Augustus H. Howard and al. are plaintiffs and M.N. Watkins adm. of Riley Watkins dec'd. &others are defendants, he proceeded to advertise the Lands therein referred to, of which Riley Watkins died seized, and did on the 1st day of March 1869 (being Court day) sell at auction before the Courthouse door of said County, on the terms required by said decree the said Lands which Lands were sold in three separate parcels & including widows dower which she relinquished for money value, and were purchased as follows —

124 acres by John J. & Wm J. Watkins for $240.00

103 acres by Meredith N. Watkins for the sum of $200.00

50 acres by Henry D. Pace for $175.00

$615.00

of which the Undersigned rec'd in cash $86.95

and paid it out as follows $528.05

to wit:

To John R. Kelly, Atty. $50.00

" same for clerk. 9.15

" same for Sheriff 3.00

$62.15

Amount decreed to Mary J. Goodman
late Mary J. Watkins widow of
Wiley Watkins dec'd. in lieu of her
Dower in the Lands of said Wiley
Watkins, under decree of the Circuit
Court of Isle of Wight County $172.20
Int. from 1 March 1869
to 18 apl 1870 11.66
$183.86

1870 April 18 Rec'd of E. L. Eley Com.
the sum of one hundred and eighty three
dollars & eighty six cents as above
$183.86

J. L. Goodman Ex
Dep. Clk

In Heathcote as Only

Heathcote

v.

J R Burnie & Co. 140.98

Costs Interlocutory

Fee & Com 15.10

Costs in Chy 48.57 63.57

Balance £77.41

Carried forward —

"S"

Statement
Shewing value
of Victoria
Downs

Filed 19 Oct. 1869.

Holland &c

v.

Watkins &al.

Statement shewing value of Widows Dower in the Lands of Riley Watkins dec'd.

Her age 40 years — Her Expectation of Life 32 years.

Lands sold for £615:00

1/3 is £205:00

annual Interest £12:30

Present value of an Annuity of £12.30 for 32 years is £172:20

Ans:- to which Mary J. Gordman now wife of Arthur D. Gordman late the Widow of Riley Watkins dec'd is entitled from sales of said Lands is £172:20 with Interest from 1st March 1869 —

Holland dal,

" } Report of payments

Watkins dal.

1870 Apr 20th Rec'd of E. L. Eby Comr
as aforesaid our respective shares of the foregoing
fund & as set opposite our names.

John R. Kelly atto for all
the creditors $412.98

By amount brt. on
2d paid J. J. Clemmitt Esq. #639.34 6.00
To Attd. Fees for 3 Decd & Stamps, 33.34
& for reports & #2.50 } 37.50
" Printers Bill for Condemning notices 12.50
Nett Balance. #596.84

~~Paid ratably & directed to wit~~.
To paid Lethia D. Goodman and
wife Mary J. (late widow
of Riley Watkins decd) in lieu
of her dower as directed by said
Decree #172.20
& Int. from 1st March 1869
to 18 Apl 1870 — 11.66 #183.86
To distribution — Balance — #412.98
Paid ratably as follows, to wit:
To augustus S. Steele and his pro-rata
amo. on #44.41 = #22.87
" Ro. A. Pinner on #69.04 #35.60
" Jas. B. Norfleet on #78.36 #40.35
" Same on #226.62 #116.93
" A. S. & R. M. Darden on #23.35 #12.02
" McClenny & Darden on #52.46 #27.01
" Rawls & Bro. on #133.74 #68.87
" Edward Rawls on #35.21 #18.13
" E. Rawls Sen. on #10.57 #5.44
" Jno. Vaughan on #70.81 #36.46
" Spikey Beale on #34.50 & Int.
from 25 Dec 1856 to
18 Oct. 1867 22.40
10 yrs. 9 m. 23 d. #56.90 — #29.30 #412.98

Total #801.47
Respectfully submitted.

To the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County

The Undersigned reports to Court that pursuant to the decree of the 19th day of Octo: 1869, made in the cause therein pending wherein augustus H. Ireland &c. is plaintiff and M. H. Watkins adm of Wiley Watkins dec'd & defendants, he has received of the clerk of said Court, the several Bonds named in said decree & collected the same, and made deeds to the several purchasers thereof as directed.

The following statement will show how the same has been paid, and as directed by said decree:

By amo: of Bond against M. H. Watkins and A. H. Ashburn for	$171.71	
" Int: from 1st march 1869 to 17 Feb. 1870	9.89	
	$181.60	
By amo: of Bond against H. D. Peel & A. H. Ashburn for	$150.27	
" Int: as above to 4 apl 1870.	9.86	$160.13
By Bond against John J. Watkins, W. J. Watkins, Stephen H. Warden & A. H. Ashburn for	$206.07	
" Int: as above to 20 apl 1870	14.07	$220.14
Total Land fund.		$561.87
Deduct M. H. Watkins ad'm as collector on Bond due Dec'd by J. R. Purvis &c. after paying fees to Jno. R. Kelly atto	77.47	
~~Deduction~~ cash on		$639.34

to be so Held, and that Notice after stating the
said account to be published once a Week for four successive Weeks in the
Christian Guard a News paper published at Suffolk, which
Notice shall be in lieu of personal Service on the parties,
and the Court doth further adjudge, Order and decree that
Thomas J. Marshall, Josiah P. Gay, Thomas J. Emmets and
John L. Marshall, be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners
for that purpose, (any three of whom may act) to set apart
and assign to Mary Jane Watkins, one third in Value of
the Lands of her late husband Wiley Watkins dec'd, &c. &
for her dower therein, and Make Report to Court;

A Copy,

Teste N. P. Young Clk.

Ad Quarterly Day,
Southampton.

Wm. Allen
v.
Wm. Watkins's Adm'r. &c.

Notice sent to Wm. Allen
Esqr. 10th Feb 1869 -
Said appointed Com'rs.
1869.

At a Circuit Court held for the County of Isle of Wight on the
Sixteenth day of May One Thousand Eight hundred & Sixty Seven.
Augustus A Hallard, James D Nesfield & al: . . . Complts.

vs. In Chancery.

A. B. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins dec'd. & Wm. H. Watkins admr.
of Henry Watkins, Winney Watkins, Caroline E. Watkins, John Watkins, and
Wiley Watkins, the last three Infants, . . . Defendants

This Cause Came on this day, to be heard on the bill taken
for Confessed as to the defendants, Mary Jane Watkins and [illegible]
Watkins, on whom process had been duly Issued, and they still fai-
ling to appear and Answer, and on the Answer of Meredith H.
Watkins administrator of Wiley Watkins dec'd and Alexander
H Ashburn Administrator of Henry Watkins dec'd. This day
filed by leave of the Court and of the Infant Defendants by
Nathl. P Young their Guardian ad litem, and with General
Replications to said Answers and was Argued by Counsel; On
Consideration whereof, the Court doth Adjudge, Order and decree,
that a Commissioner of this Court, take the following Accounts,
First An account of the transactions of Meredith H Watkins Administrator
of Wiley Watkins dec'd taking the accounts heretofore rendered
as primafacia correct, but subject to be discharged and falsified.—
Second An account of the transactions of Alex'r H Ashburn administrator
of Henry Watkins dec'd
Third An account of all debts and demands, against said Wiley Watkins
dec'd. or his estate, and their dignity.
Fourth An account of all debts and demands, against said Henry
Watkins dec'd. or his estate and their dignity.
Fifth An Account of the real Estate of which Wiley Watkins died
possessed, or entitled to, and its fee simple and annual Values;
Sixth An account of the real estate of which Henry Watkins died possessed
or entitled to and its fee simple and annual Values, and Make
report to Court, with any matters Specially stated, deemed pertinent
by him or that may be Required by any the aforesaid parties

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1867

May Ct. Decree

to be entered.

R. St. Baker

5th. an account of the Real estate of which Wiley Watkins died possessed or entitled to & its fee simple & annual value.
6th. an account of the Real estate of which Henning Watkins died possessed or entitled to & its fee simple and annual value.
and make report to Court with any matter specially stated, deemed pertinent by him or that may be required by any one of said parties to be so stated. and that notice of the taking of said accounts be published once a week for four successive weeks in the "Christian Sun" a newspaper published at Suffolk, which notice shall be in lieu of personal service on the parties

And the Court doth further adjudge, order and decree that Thomas Markham, Josiah P. Gay, Thomas J. Clements, & John L. Markham be and they are hereby appointed Comrs. for that purpose (any three of whom may act) to set apart and assign to Mary Jane Watkins one third in value of the Lands of her late husband Wiley Watkins dec'd. as & for her dower therein & make Report to Court.

Holland &c.

v.

Watkins

This cause came on this day to be ~~heard~~ heard on the Bill taken for confessed as to the defendants Mary Jane Watkins & Winney Watkins — on whom proof had been duly served and they still failing to appear and answer, on the ~~answer~~ answer of M. H. Watkins admr of Wiley Watkins dec'd & A. H. Ashburn admr. of Henning Watkins dec'd. this day filed by leave of the Court & of the Infant defendants by A. P. Young their guardian ad litem & with general replications to said answer, & was argued by Counsel. On Consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, order & decree that a Comr. of this Court take the following accounts.

1st An account of the transactions of M. H. Watkins admr of Wiley Watkins dec'd. taking any accounts heretofore rendered as prima facia Court, subject to be surcharged and falsified —

2d. An account of the transactions of A. H. Ashburn as admr. of Henning Watkins dec'd.

3d. An account of all debts & demands against said Wiley Watkins dec'd. or his estate, and their disputy.

4th An account of all debts & demands against said Henning Watkins dec'd. or his estate & their disputy,

day notice of such sale by advertisement at the Court house door of said County & at Windsor and other public places in said County, and once a week for four successive weeks in some newspaper published at Suffolk or Norfolk; the sale to be made on six months credit except for a sum sufficient to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale with interest from date & said in such parcels as the said Sheriff may deem best; the purchaser to give Bond and good security for the purchase money and the title to be withheld till the Order of this Court, and made report to Court — but this deed is made subject to the existing "stay law".

Holland &c
vs
Holland &c
&
Watkins &c

1868
May Court.
Deed ordered
R. H. Parker

A. D. Ballard &c.

vs.

Watkins &c.

This Cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read for the report of Com'r. Young made pursuant to the decree of May Term of this Court 1867, and on the report of Mr. J. Marshall, Micah P. Gay & Mr. J. Clements made pursuant to same decree, to which reports there is no exception, and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, now and decree that the said Reports be confirmed, and that the Sheriff of Isle of Wight County proceed to sell before the Courthouse door of Isle of Wight County on some Court day, the Lands whereof Lilly Watkins died seized (subject to the widow's Dower as already assigned her, under proceedings had in this cause) described as three parcels; one parcel containing 124 acres more or less and adjoining the Lands of Edwin L. Ballard's estate and others; one parcel containing 103 acres, more or less and adjoining the same: and one other parcel containing 60 acres more or less, also adjoining the same, - having first given at least thirty

Holland Pub.

Copy Decree

&

Wiley Watkins' a dec. Pub.

For Staff.

At a Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, held at the Court House On the 18th day of May 1868.

Augustus H Holland, James B Norfleet, Robert L Eley who sue for themselves and all other Creditors of Wiley Watkins deceased ~~plts against the said Defts~~ Plffs

against M. A. Watkins adm. of Wiley } In Chcy.
Watkins, Mary Jane Watkins & others } Defts.

This Cause Came on this day to be again heard On the papers formerly read On the report of Commissioner Young made pursuant to the decree of May Term of this Court 1867, and on the report of Thos. ~~Marshall~~ Marshall, made & Say & Thomas J. Cummins made pursuant same decree, to which reports there is no exception, & was Argued by Counsel: On Consideration whereof the Court, doth Adjudge Order & decree that the said reports be confirmed, and that the Sheriff of Isle of Wight County, procure & sell before the Court House door of said Wight County, On Some Court day the lands of Wiley Watkins dec'd, Subject to the Widows dower as already Assigned in under proceedings had in this Cause, described as three parcels, One parcel Containing 124 Acres more or less and Adjoining and Adjoining the lands of Lewis L Watkins estate dec'd. One parcel Containing 103 Acres more or less and Adjoining the same, One other parcel Containing 58 Acres more or less also adjoining the same, having first given at least thirty days Notice of Such Sale, by advertisement at the Court House door of said County and at Windsor and other public places in said County, and once a Week for four Successive Weeks in some News Paper published at Suffolk or Norfolk, the Sale to be made On Six Months Credit except for a Sum Sufficient to pay Costs of Suit and expenses of Sale, including a fee of $50.00/100 to Plaintiffs Atto, with Interest from date, and in Such parcels as the said Sheriff may think best, the purchasers to give bond and good Security for the purchase Money, and the title to be withheld till the Order of this Court, and make report to Court, But this decree is made Subject to the existing Stay Law.

Attys. fee allowed by decree $50.00

Clk 9.15
Sheriff 3.00
Costs $62.15 ($62.15)

A Copy.

Teste, N. P. Young Clk

Holland v.
M.

Watkins v.
1869
Act. ch. Decree

To be entered.
E. P. Fitts

† 25 Dec 1856, thirty days allowed by petition

with Return from the 1st March 1869 to the said Thursday in April next & thereafter Curtesy of Maryland accd. by affidavit Leon Wyatt & Wm. Bowles Esqrs. made oath that the said order under Rule 34: 50 was duly published in this cause, with the exception of the annual Report of the Receiver Dan Kennedy, and made report & Return,

Holland & V. Watkins

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read on the report of Exam L. Ely Com. made pursuant to the decree of the 18th of May 1868 — to which report there is no exception, & was argued by Counsel: On consideration whereof the Court doth confirm the said Report and doth adjudge, & decree that the said Exam L. Ely Com as aforesaid receive of the clerk of this Court (who is hereby directed to deliver the same to him on his leaving a Receipt therefor) the Bonds of Jno. J. Watkins & W. J. Watkins, & Stephen Darden & A. H. Ashburn for $206.07, and the Bond of H. D. Pell & A. H. Ashburn for $150.29 & the Bond of M. H. Watkins & A. H. Ashburn for $171.71, and collect the same with accruement thereon, and out of the proceeds pay any costs that may remain unpaid & then pay to Mary S. Goodman, now wife of Sethro D. Goodman, late widow of Wiley Watkins dec'd. the sum of $172.20 the amount to which she is entitled as appears by statement "D" this day filed in lieu of the Bonds in the Cause and such proceedings had in this cause,

Watkins's decd: the sum of $172.20 the amount to which she is entitled as appears by statement this day filed, in lieu of her dower in the lands sold under proceedings had in this cause, with interest thereon from Mar: 1st 1869. till paid, And then pay out & distribute the balance ratably to the several creditors of Wiley Watkins decd: as appears by acct: C. of Comr Young's report of the 6th of Sept: 1867, & to Spikes Beal a claim of $3.00, with Int: from Dec: 25th 1856, this day allowed by petition, & make deeds to the purchasers of the real estate sold under proceedings had in this cause, with special warranty, in the usual forms, & in which deeds Jethro D. Goodman & his wife Mary Jane late Mary J. Watkins, shall join before receiving the amount decreed to her hereunder & make report to Court.

A Copy Teste

C. H. Hart Clk

Watkins' admr. & als:

vs. } Copy decree

Watkins' admr. & als: 32.

In Isle of Wight Circuit Court. Oct. 19th 1869.

Augustus H. Holland & als. Pltffs.

vs. } In Chy.

Meridith H. Watkins adm'r of Riley Watkins and others, Defts.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, & on the report of Eyum L. Eley Comr. made pursuant to the decree of the 18th of may 1868. to which report there is no exception, & was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth confirm the said report, and doth adjudge, order & decree that the said Eyum L. Eley Comr as aforesaid, receive of the Clerk of this Court, who will deliver the same to him, on his leaving a receipt therefor, the bond of Jno. J. Watkins, W. J. Watkins, Stephen S. Darden & A. H. Ashburn for two hundred & six dollars & seven cents, & the bond of A. D. Peel & A. H. Ashburn for one hundred & fifty dollars & twenty seven cents & the bond of M. H. Watkins & A. H. Ashburn for one hundred & seventy one dollars & seventy one cents, & collect the same with all interest thereon & out of the proceeds pay any costs that may remain unpaid, & pay to Mary J. Goodman now wife of Jethro D. Goodman, late widow of Riley

Holland
vs.
Watkins

1870
May 21
Final Decree
to be entered
Geo. F Bliss Jr

Entered
Nov 10.

Holland Sal

vs

Watkins Sal.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers & much read & on the Report of Jno R. Kelly Com'r, made pursuant to the decree of the 19th Oct. 1869, to which report there is no exception has been argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth confirm the said Report & doth adjudge, order & decree that the proceedings had in the cause be confirmed & made final & binding between the parties & that the cause be removed from the Docket.

Holland & Co.

& Bill of
Counsel

Walkins & Co.

W Young

You will find the claims against Wiley Watkins & Henning E. Watkins all reported in the City suit that was dismissed to which you can refer — One other claim is handed in since — To wit: To Mr. May A. Roberts # 88. for keeping one negro 1862 — She kept them till 1st Dec 1862 — 11 mos.

and one to A. S. Mc. McFarlen which I think was not reported —

I enclose the claim to you herein to compare with the Report you made in the case dismissed.

Yours truly

John R Kiely

6. Exhibits
filed with Bill
in Holland sal
v
watkins admrs
sal..
& claims v. Wiley
Waltham est.

All Available Text Successfully Captured

Holland Adm.

Exhibit.

v.

Wiley Watkins Adm.

Def.

Ex Ct. A.

In the County Court of Isle of Wight County, August the 1st 1859.
On the Motion of Meredith H Watkins & with the Consent of
the Widow, who made Oath and with Alexander H Ashburn
and Josiah P. Gay his Securities who justified, entered
into and Acknowledged a bond in the penalty of $12000.00
With Condition According to law, Administration is
granted him on the estate of Wiley Watkins deceased
in due form. Ordered that David Roberts, E. L Ballard,
T. J. Marshall, & John R. Andrews or any three of them
Appraise the estate & Make Report. having been first duly
Sworn, Ordered that said bond be Recorded.

A Copy Teste

N. S. Young C.I.W.

B.

In the County Court of Isle of Wight County. Feby 1. 1864.
On the motion of Alexander H. Ashburn who made oath,
and with Jno. R. Kilby his security, who justified,
entered into & acknowledged a bond in the penalty
of $2000: & with condition according to law -
Certificate of administration is granted him
on the estate of Henning Watkins decd.

A Copy.

Teste N. P. Young Clk.

Wiley
Wedding
note #27.93

#2 of 1.

$ 27,93

On demand I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Agustus H. Holland his heirs or assigns the just and full sum of Twenty seven dollars and 93cts current money of Virginia for value rec'd and for the true payment of the same I bind myself my heirs exct and admr. Jointly and severally as Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight — — —

Wiley Watkins (seal)

Teste
Wm. P. Daughtry

Vicks Watkins
To State
$13.20

$45.20/100 On demand with lawful Interest from date I promise to pay to the order of Robt A. Benner the Sum of Forty Five dollars and Twenty cents for value rec'd I bind myself my heirs exrs. and admrs. jointly and severally by these presents as witness my hand and seal the 1st day of January 1859

Wiley Watkins Seal

(D.) 3

1858 Nov 26th Rec'd in part
of the within note Thirty Dollars
$30 I.B.K

Presented to N.P.
Young who is
unable to write

$ 77 all

Giv ___ days after date I promise to pay to

James Naylor ___ or order the full and just

sum of Seventy Seven ___ 00/100 Dolls

for value received, for which payment well and truly to be made I ___ bind

My Self Jr ___ heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally,

firmly by these presents, as witness My ___ hand and seal this 1st day

of January ___ 1858

Wiley Watkins SEAL

SEAL

Amt Brot Over 140 76

Sept 26	2 1/4 yds Blk Cloth	$3	7	50
	2 " Blk Fancy	2/3		75
	5 " Blk Alapacca	2/3	1	88
	6 " Binding		6	37
	Blk 1/c Kid Gloves	6/	1	25
	8 yds Tamese Cloth	3/	4	00
	6 " Col Flannel	62½	3	75
	1 " Pil Belt		75	2025
				161.01

Mr Wm Watkins
Akron
Ohio

(3)

Same & Co Port

	Amt Brot over					45 60
June 4	1 Hat			1 25		
	1 Do			1 00		
	4 Ditto		1/6	1 00		
	3 pr Shoes		7/6	3 75		
	1 Vest			1 25		
	1 Do			1 63		
	7 Yds Calico		9d	87		
	1 lb Tobacco			31		11 06
Aug 7	1 Wht Duck Coat					2 50
Nov 26	1 Yd Veil Berage			50		
	21 1/2 " Domestic Plaid		9d	2 69		
	10 " Dowlling		10	1 00		
	1 pr Cards			44		
	2 " Ms Shoes		1/6 1/7	2 75		
	11 1/2 " Valentia		2/3	4 31		
	1 " Kid Gloves			1 00		
	3 " Wht Handkfs		for 3/	80		
	3/4 " Jaconet		22	17		
	11 " Debages		12	1 38		
	11 " Blue Muslin		3/	5 50		
	1 lb Soap			17		
	7 Yds Gold Gamb		10	70		
	1 pr Blk Velvet			1 25		
	2 Yds Blue Jeans		9d	25		
	1 pr Cot Hose		"	13		
	10 Yds Calico		"	1 25		
	2 " Gamb		10	20		
	1 Doz Brass Buttons		9d	13		24 32
Dec 13	1 Cravat			100		
	9 1/2 lbs Cheese		9d	1 19		2 19
						85 67

Amt Carried Forwd

1869	Amt Brot Up					85 67
Jany 18	9 Yds Jersey		1/6	9 25		
	3 1/2 " Do		31	1 10		
	2 " Canvas		18	37		
	1 1/2 " Alapacca		2/3	56		
	1/4 " Oil Calico		1/6	06		
	28 Blk Buttons		for	56		
	1/4 lb Thread			32		
	Sick			25		5 17
May 9	25 Yds Fig'd Berage		3/9	1 63		
	6 1/2 " Blk Lace		2/3	2 44		
	Pins 9d 2 Jr Gallons		12/	4 12		
	25 Hoop Steels		9/	3 00		
	1 pr Blk Gallons			1 63		
	1 Yd Cheeks		9d	12		
	46 " Calico		9d	5 00		
	3 pr Wht Hose		9d	38		
	1 " Do			25		
	24 Yds Bleach Cottons		9d	3 00		
	3 " Linen Drilling		2/3	1 13		
	1 1/2 " Irish Linen		2/3	86		
	2 Handkfs		18	37		
	1 Vest Pattern			38		
	12 Yds Cot Bgnd		10	1 20		
	6 " Linen Dowlling		18	1 13		
	13 " Blue Jeans		9d	1 62		
	40 " Bro Cottons		6/4	2 50		
	3 " Silk Fringe		18 3/4	56		
	3 " Wht Do		9d	38		
	3 " Paper Camb		9d	37		
	5 1/2 " Bleach Jeans		9d	69		
	2 1/4 " Bonis Edg		31 1/4	70		
	3 1/4 " Camb Inserting		2/8	1 21		
	1 Bleach Cotton Yarn			1 25		49 62
						140 76

Amt Brot Over

Mr Wiley Watkins

1858 Bot of James B. Norfleet

Jany 11	2	Lady Cotton Yarn	8/3	2 75	
	1	pr Hosiery		1 25	4 00
Mar 23	23¾	yds Cottons	9½c	2 21	
	1	" Irish Linen		75	
	2	Do 18 Points	18 3	38	
	12	yds Osnaburgs	10	1 20	4 54
April 8	1	Black Cot Yarn		1 25	
	3	yds Cot Osnaburgs	10	30	1 55
May 21	1	Sprigg Flowers			25
June 4	10	yds Burlapes	18 3	1 88	
	8	" Bro Linen	23	1 84	
	32	" Bro Cotton	8	2 56	
	5	" Bro Jeans	9	62	
	3	" Flannel 44		1 31	
	3	" Cassa	125	375	
	5½	" Linen	31/4	172	
	16	" Swiss Muslin	3/	800	
	9	" Lawn	1/6	225	
	8½	" Do	1/6	213	
	15	" Bleach Cottons	15	180	
	16	" Do "	8	128	
	3	" Calico	9	37	
	3	" Bleach Jeans	9	38	
	6½	" Gant Edge	18 3	1 22	
	3½	" Swiss Do	37	1 31	
	¾	" Inserting	50	37	
	2	Worked Collars	7/6	250	
	2	pr Cotton Hose	9	25	
	2	" Do	18¾	38	
	2	Linen Handkfs	2/3	75	
	2	pr Silk Mitts	3/9	1 25	
		Whalebone		09	
		White Thread		25	35 26
					45 60

M. Riley Matthews

Acct

Aug. 15 1867. This day alfernon S. Darden came before me & made oath that the within account is to the best of his knowledge & just & correct.

John R. Kirby
Notary Public
Nansemond Co.

Mr. Wiley Watkins

1857 — To A. W. & W. McDaniel

Oct 17	26	Yds	Fancy Silk	7/6	32 50	
	1 3/4	"	Blue Linen	1/6	44	
	18	lbs	Wholesome		18	
	10	Yds	Persian Delaine	1/6	2 50	
	3 1/2	"	Blue Cambric	10	35	
	2	Lunches	Skirt-braid	6½	13	
	19	Yds 2 qrs	Calico	9	2 37	
	2	Napkins	Eng Linen	9	25	
	1	Collar	Ea 1/3 & 1/-		1 88	
	1	pr	Worsted Hose		81	41 41
21	8	Yds	Blue Bonnet Ribbon	2/3	3 00	
	1	"	Muslin		13	
	5	"	Silk Velvet	8	40	
	2	Ruches		2/3	75	
	6	Blue	Buds	6½	37	
	1	Bun	Flowers		25	
	1	Yd	Bobinet		13	
	2	doz	Shaw Buttons	6½	12	5 65
22	1/2	Yds	Silk Velvet	1/1	28	
	2	Blue	Buds	6½	13	41
	4	Yds	Lapin Cambric	9	50	
	2	"	Muslin	5/6	1 13	
	8	"	Silk Fringe	1/6	2 00	3 63
Nov 24	10	"	Dotted Swiss Muslin		5 50	
	2 1/2	"	Swiss Edging	5/-	1 25	
	3/4	"	Insertion	7/3	28	
	1	"	White Holland		25	
	1	"	Blue Linen		56	
	7	lbs	Wholesome		09	
	1	"	Congress Gaiters		2 00	19 93
Dec 2	1	"	" Do		2 25	
	1/2	Yds	Swiss Edging		25	25 0
						$ 1353

Cr

Oct 17 1858	By Cash					2000
				Dr		$ 4353
May 20	To 4	Yds	Ribbon	3/-	2 00	
	1		Ruche		38	238
				Cr		$ 4591
Nov 26	By Cash					3000
						$ 1591

Rec? Feby. 4th 1858 - Fifty Dollars
in part of the within Note. ——
$50 McElroy & Darden

$ 77 50

Two days after date I promise to pay to

McClenny & Darden or order, the full and just sum of

Seventy eight ~~~~~~~~~~ Dollars, and

Ten ~~~~~~ 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 7th day of January 1857

Witness

Wiley Watkins SEAL.

Nov 15th 58 Rec'd forty dol
lars in part of with in note
E Rand & Bro
Wm Mills. E. Rand

Pay Edwd. Rand
Edwd. Rand

Fo. 80 Postlius
No. 3 Sec.
24.38

One demand payable annually. I do
promise to pay A Rawlins the
Sum of Eighty four 38/100 dollars
for value Rec'd In witness of
which I and my Exrs Executors agrees to admr formally
by these presents As witness my
My Hand & Seal This 16th Jan'y
1858.

Wiley Watkins Seal

Test
Mills E Power

8

Wiley Watkins

Bank

$19.89

2 5 00
3 7 00
1 3 89
9 3

$ 1987.00

On demand I promise to pay
unto Edw Rawls the sum of
Nineteen dollars & Eighty Seven Cts
for Value Recd for the payment
of which well & truly to be made
I bind myself Heirs Executors assigns
& administrators firmly. By these
presents as witness my Hand
& Seal This 24th Day December 1854

Test
Edgar Rawls

Wiley Watkins

9

E. Rand Jr.

$7.21 allᵈ

Mr Wiley Watkins

To E Rands & Co.

1859				
Feby 12	8 lb Sugar @	Tobacco 28c	$1.28	$1.28
" 22	2 No 6 plos 18/. in 2 do 1 1/4			6.38
June 23	2 lb Orsugar 5c	1 lb Rice 8c	15-8.12	" .51
" "	1 " Crackers @			
" 25	6 Yds Lin 3/		3.00	
" "	1 Yr Wht Silk Gloves 3/		.50	
" "	1/4 Yd. blk Silk Crape		.19	
" "	1 pr Stockings 4/6		.75	4.44
				$12.60

Ofc of Estate

Nov 5	To Bal car Cap:	60c	.60	.60
" 7	" 1 3/4 Silk @ 75		2.41	2.41
				3.62
1859				
July 9	By 1 pr Stockings P.P.			.75
				$12.87
	Interest on acct			6.24
				$21.11

Decr 4th 1866 Personally appeard before me Elhulbert Rands and made oath to the correctness of the above account

A R Butler J.P.

On demand I promist to pay or cause to be
paid unto John Vaughn or his heirs the
just and full sum of forty four Dollar
and Eighty nine cents good and lawfull
money of Virjinia it being for Value of
him received as witness my hand and
seal this the 2 day of march 1858

Test.

Wiley Watkins (Seal)

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Clarion &c

Koenig Walther

Esq.

(B)

$10 45/100 On demand I promise and bind myself heirs &c. to pay to the order of Ashburn & Watkins the full sum of Ten Dollars & forty five cents, for Value Rec'd. as witness my hand & seal this 1st day of January 1861

Henning Watkins Seal

Thos. Bond Adams
& Nathan. A
Martin.

Bay [redacted] the undersigned
to A. J. Wallace
Wm. P. Wright

(C)

$72 On demand I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto William P Wright The just and full sum of seventy two dollars for value rec'd as witness my hand and seal this 12th day of January 1861.

David B. Bebout

Henning W. Matthews

Wm P. Wright

$40.

(8.)

$40.

On demand one day after date we promise to pay unto Robert J. Eley or order the just and full Sum of forty dollars and ——— Cents Lawful money of Virginia. it being for value received of him the payment of which we bind ourselves, our heirs and administrators jointly and firmly by these presents as witness our hands and Seal this the 12th day of Septr. 1860.

Wm T Wright (Seal)

Wittnes.

Thos. J. Marshall

Henning Wellford (Seal)

Wiley Watkins
Sale with
Eley & Brumbley

J. W. Jones

Barnaby Stokes

Mr Wiley Watkins

1859 To Eley & Brinkley Dr

Jany 13	To	24 Yds Kersey	20	480	
	"	1 pr Hose		63	543
Apl 13	"	1 Block Cotton yarn		125	
	"	10 yds Calico	9	125	
	"	2 1/4 " Bby Jeans	25	56	
	"	2 " " "	18 3/4	52	
	"	2 3/4 lbs Tobacco	25	69	427
		Interest			430
					14.00

Nansemond Co. to Wit: R S Eley This day personally appeared before me a justice of the Peace and made oath to the justness of the above account of Fourteen dollars.

Given under my hand this 5th day of August 1867

Benjn Riddick J P.

of the aforesaid accounts being received. Your Commissioner proceeded on the day of this report to take and settle the accounts by the above directed and finds that on the 18th day of August 1864, there will be in the hands of the said Adm'r. M. H. Watkins, arising & divisible from the proceeds of sales of negroes aforesaid, the sum of $62,799.08. Of which balance he finds that Mrs. Mary Jane Watkins, the widow of Wiley Watkins dec'd. is entitled in fee simple, in lieu of her life right, to the sum of $1537.74 leaving a balance of $4661.34 which being divided gives to each one of the children of decedent 1/7 or $665.90 4/7. Your Comm'r. then divided the share of Wiley C. Watkins, bet'n his mother, the said Mary Jane Watkins & his brothers & sisters as follows, viz: To Mrs. M. J. Watkins 2/9, to his brother of whole blood Charles H. Watkins 2/9, and to his sisters Camilla C. and Winny P., and his brothers Henry, John J. & W. T. Watkins each 1/9 of the share of said Wiley C. Watkins. All of which will be seen by reference to the foregoing accounts.

Given under my hand as a Comm'r aforesaid Comity Court the day & year first aforesaid.

J. D. Young Com'r.

Watkins' Adm'r. &c.
vs. Report &c.
Watkins' Adm'r. &c.

Filed 15th Oct. 1864
Teste C.

Watkins' Adm'r. &c. vs. Watkins &c. Report &c. Filed with Com. Report &c.

1863
Aug. 1 Amts. of debits & credits brt. forw. $ 2520 75 $ 8434 24
By rent of homestead to Jos. Johnson 1862 31 00
By " " Johnson place Mary Nash " 6 00
By amt. of W.H. Powell two due bills 67 50
" " To Balance due the estate Com: Ry entirely of proceeds of sales of & corn 6018 00
$ 8538 75 $ 8538 75

1864
Aug. 1 To retained to pay Jno. A. Kelly attys. fees in chy: suit 50 00
" " to pay comm'rs Kelly & " 30 00
" " Balance that will be in hand 1st. aug. 1864 for distribution 6299 08
1863
Aug. 1 Balance on foregoing a/c. to date 6018 00
By interest on $6018.00 one year 361 08
Nett Balance on 1st. Aug. 1864 $ 6379 08 $ 6379 08

Amt. of balance above brt. down 6299 08
Of which Mrs. Mary Jane Watkins the widow of Wiley Watkins dec'd: would be entitled for the use for life of 1/3 or $2099.69 but which being commuted into present fee simple value, she being 53 years of age, gives her in fee simple in lieu of such life right, the sum of 1637 74
Leaving $ 4661 34
Of which Camilla C. Watkins is entitled 1/7 $ 665 90 4/7
" Winney P. Watkins " " 1/7 665 90 4/7
" A. H. Ashburn adm'r. of Winney Watkins 1/7 665 90 4/7
" Jno. J. Watkins 1/7 665 90 4/7
" Wm J. Watkins 1/7 665 90 4/7
" Charles H. Watkins 1/7 665 90 4/7
" Wiley C. Watkins 1/7 or $665.90 4/7 which should be divided as follows

To his mother Mary Jane Watkins 2/9 = $ 147.98
" Brother of the whole blood, Wm H. Watkins 2/9 = 147.98
" Sister of 1/2 blood Camilla C. Watkins 1/9 = 73.99
" " " " Winny P. Watkins 1/9 = 73.99
" A. H. Ashburn adm'r. of Winney Watkins a brother of 1/2 blood 1/9 = 73.99
" Jno. J. Watkins bro: of 1/2 blood 1/9 = 73.99
" Wm J. Watkins " " " " 1/9 = 73.99
making 1/7 or 665 91

Commissioners Office Ash of Wright County, March 23rd 1864.

To the County Court of said County.

The undersigned, one of the Commissioners of the said County Court, to whom was referred, by decree of the said Court rendered in term by the day of March 1864, in the suit therein pending between Camilla C. Watkins & others, Pls. and Meredith H. Watkins adm'r. of Wiley Watkins dec'd: & als. defts; the following accounts - First, an account of the administration of Meredith H. Watkins as administrator of Wiley Watkins dec'd. Second an account showing what would be a fair fee simple money value for Mrs. Mary Jane Watkins, widow of said deceased, in lieu of her life estate in one third of the slaves sold, belonging to the said deceased. And thirdly an account showing the distribution shows due each heir of the said Wiley Watkins dec'd: of any balance remaining, and also the amount due each heir of the shares due Wiley C. Watkins dec'd: make the following report. Notice of the taking

Dr. The Estate of Wiley Watkins dec'd:
In account with Meredith H. Watkins Administrator. &c.

1863				
Jany.	1	To Cash paid to pay Debt due Bain & Co.	50 00	
		" Cash paid Mary Ann Roberts for keeping woman Sonny & 5 chd.n in 1862	88 00	
		" Cash paid A. H. Ashburn making coffin &c. for Randolph who died 20th Dec. 1862, per acct.	10 75	
Apl.	1	" " " M. H. Watkins Comm.r of Estate E. Darden per Bond & Act.	1019 88	
	4	" " " Jas. T. & Mary E. Bowden " "	953 12	
	6	" " " S. J. Wilson act. per act.	5 75	
	14	" " " Dr. A. C. Holland med. bill, acct.	5 00	
		" " " Midwifes fee to negro	3 00	
Aug.	1	" " 5 per ct. Comm.n on $7705.18 acct.	385 25	
~~x~~	~~x~~	~~" Balance for which I am now existing executor of Princess of Estate of dower~~		
1862 Aug.	1	By balance of principal due est. on last act.		659 23
"	"	" Do. of Interest do.		134 79
Dec.	31	" Hire of Edmund to D. G. Darden for 1862		100 00
		" " Randolph to W. W. Roberts "		63 00
		" " Allen to Wm. H. Laurence "		95 00
		" " Solomon to Jacob Spivey "		18 50
		" " Henry from 1 Jany. to 4 June 1862, when he went to Yankees, to A. H. Ashburn		41 00
		" " Judith to Jas. King, to 10 May 1862 when she went to Yankees		24 92
		" " Ellick to D. B. Roberts to 15 Nov. 1862, when he went to Yankees		33 25
		By sales at auction of negros Sonny, Allen & 7 children, bought by Jno. Shivers		7225 00
		By interest on $659.23 one year		39 55
		" Amts. Carried fwd.	$2520 75	$8434 24

shows the amount of all the debts due by Henry Watkins dec'd. or his estate, to be, of the second class. $2:84 and of the fourth class $165.72—

C. Account C. shows the outstanding debts due by Wiley Watkins dec'd., to be $473:78—

D. Account D. shows the real estate whereof said Wiley Watkins died seized & possessed, with its fee simple value at $542:00, and it's annual value at $50.00.

"Your commissioner reports further, that from evidence before him, he has ascertained that Mary Jane Watkins the widow of Wiley Watkins dec'd. is

And that the interests of the infants parties to this suit, will be most promoted by a sale of the real estate in these proceedings mentioned.

Given under my hand as a commissioner of the said Circuit Court, the day & year first herein mentioned.

N. P. Youngblood.

Watkins &c.
vs.
Watkins &c.

Report of Comm'r under decree of May term 1866.

C.

An account of any outstanding debts due by Wiley Watkins dec'd. –

None of 1st. 2d. or 3d. class.

4th. class.

Kelly	1	To Augustus A. Holland	Bond	27	93		
		" Int. from 1. Jany. 1858 to 18. Octo. 1866		14	78	42	71
Kelly	2	To Robt A. Pinner	Bond	45	20		
		" Int. from 1. Jany. 1859 to 18. Octo. 1866		21	13	66	33
Kelly	3	To Jamn B. Norfleet	act.	161	61		
		" Int. from 1. Jany. 1861 to 18. Octo. 1866.		55	28	216	29
Kelly	4	To A. S. & R. M. Darden	act.	15	91		
		" Int. from 1. Jan. 1860 to 18. Oct. 1866		6	40	22	31
Kelly	5	To McCluney & Darden Bond for $78.10					
		" Int. from 9. Jany. 1857. subject to credit of $50. as of 4. Feby. 1858.					
		Bal. of pr. & int. 18. Octo. 1866.				50	50
Kelly	6	To Jamn B. Norfleet Bond for $77.01					
		" Int. thereon from 3d Jany. 1858. (subject to credit of $30. on 26. Nov. 1858.)					
		Balance due of pr. & int. 18. Octo. 1866.				75	64
						$473	78

D.

An account of the real estate of which Wiley Watkins died seized & possessed, and its fair simple annual value.

A tract of 134 acres adjoing E. A. Ballard dec'd.		
valued in fee simple, at	220	00
A tract of 103 acres adjoing same, valued		
in fee simple, at	206	00
A tract of 58 acres adj: same at	116	00
	$542	00

A.

Estimated annual value of said land $

B.

Commissioners Office, Isle of Wight County
September 6th. 1866.

To the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight county.

Your commissioner reports to the court, that in pursuance of a decree of the said court rendered on the 17th. day of May 1866, in the suit therein pending between Winney Watkins, Caroline Watkins, A. S. Holland & other complainants, against Mary Jane Watkins, and Alexander S. Ashburn Administrator of Henning Watkins dec'd; defendants, Your commissioner, on the 7th. day of June last, issued notices to the parties, notifying them that he had appointed the 3d. day of July 1866, at his office aforesaid, for taking the several accounts directed by said decree, which notices were duly executed. That on the day so appointed, Your commissioner, in the presence of the attorney for the complainants, and A. S. Ashburn admr. of Henning Watkins, proceeded to take and state said accounts for making the forgoing account, and not being able to complete the same, continued the taking thereof from day to day until this day, when the same were completed, (notice of the taking of the second and third accounts mentioned in said decree, having been duly posted at the front door of the court house of said County, on the first day of the July and August term of the county court of said county) – and are marked respectively A. B. C. & D. – Account A. shows that on the first day of February 1864, there was a balance of $702.90 of principal, and $40.07 of interest, due from A. S. Ashburn admr. of Henning Watkins dec'd. to the estate of said Watkins, all of which said balance was received by the administrator in confederate money, and immediately thereafter became reduced to, & is now in his hands. Account B.

A.

The Estate of Henning Watkins dec'd:
In account with Alexander N. Ashburn his administrator.

1864					
Dec.	31	To Commissions on $739.89 receipts		36 99	
1865 Feb	1	" Balance due the estate per contra		702 90	
				$ 739 89	
1864					
Dec.	31	By this sum received of M. N. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins dec'd. under decree of Isle of Wight Co. Ct. (all in Confederate money which became speedily worthless & is still in the hands of the administrator.		$ 739 89	
1864					
Feb.	1	To balance due the estate in confederate money		702 90	
"	"	" Int. of intent			40 07
				$ 702 90	40 07
1865					
Feb.	1	By balance on this day as a bond		702 90	
1866 Feb.	1	" interest on same to date (Loss conf.)			40 07
				$ 702 90	$ 40 07

B.

An account of all debts due by Henning Watkins dec'd. or his estate, and their dignity.

1st. class. None.

2nd. class.

To admr. for fees of administration				2 45	
Int. from 1. Feb. 1864 to 18. Oct. 1866				39	$ 2 84
Name of Atto.	No.	3rd. class. None.			
		4th. class.			
Kelly	1	To Ashburn & Watkins	Bond	10 45	
		" Int. from 1. Janry. 1861 to 18. Oct. 1866		3. 62	1 4 0 8
Kelly	2	To Ashburn & Watkins	Bond	72 00	
		" Int. from 1. Jan. 1861 to 18. Oct. 1866		25 03	9 7 0 3
Kelly	3	To Robt J. Eley	Bond	40 00	
		" Int. from 12. Sept. 1860 to 18. Oct. 1866		14 62	5 4 6 2
					$ 165 72

and also the amount due each heir of the shares due Wiley C. Watkins dec'd. and make report to court.

A copy.

Teste N. D. Young Cr.

Watkins Sals

vs. Bill to Co. Decree
& Cont. Sept 1,

Watkins Sals.

In Isle of Wight County Court, March 7th. 1864.

Camilla C. Watkins, Winney P. Watkins & Jane and William Watkins the last two being infants suing by A. H. Ashburn their gdn. Mspl. &c. Complts.

against

In Chancery.

Meredith H. Watkins admr. of Wiley Watkins dec'd: A. H. Ashburn admr. of Nanney Watkins dec'd:, Mary Jane Watkins and Charles Watkins the last an infant . . . . . Defts:

N. P. Young is by the court appointed guardian ad litem to the infant defendant Charles Watkins, who by leave of the court this day filed his answer; And this cause coming docketed & came on to be heard by consent of parties, on the bill of the complainants & answers of the several defendants, and was argued by counsel; On consideration whereof the court doth adjudge, order and decree that N. P. Young, one of the commissioners of this court take and settle the following accounts, to wit: first, an account of the administration of Meredith H. Watkins as administrator of Wiley Watkins, dec'd: taking his assets settlement as heretofore made & recorded, & correct unless surcharged & falsified. And secondly, an account showing what would be a fair & reasonable money value for Mrs. Mary Jane Watkins, widow of said deceased, in lieu of her life estate in one third of the slaves sold, belonging to the said deceased. And thirdly, an account showing the distributive share due each heir of the said Wiley Watkins dec'd: of any balance remaining

Holland &c

v

Watkins &c.

1868

Consent of widow

Deed Dower &c.

Holland &c.

v.

Watkins admr. &c.

To the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

In the above case Dower having been assigned me by the Commissioners, but their report not yet having been confirmed I prefer to relinquish my Dower to be sold and to take in lieu thereof a sum in money ~~equal~~ in fee simple equivalent to my said Dower, and by this paper I request the Court so to decree — I am now Forty — years of age.

Signed

Mary J. Goodman

(late Mary J. Watkins)

Holland Sals.

M. Z entries for accts.

Watkins

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
Isle of Wight Court House,
15th, 1867.

AUGUSTUS H. HOLLAND AND JAMES B. Norfleet, suing for themselves and other creditors of Wiley Watkins deceased.

Plaintiffs.

vs.

Mr H. Watkins, administrator of Wiley Watkins, dec'd; Alexander H. Ashburn, administrator of Henning Watkins, dec'd; Winney Watkins, Carol[illegible] C. Watkins, John Watkins; and Wiley Watkins, (the last three infants.)

Defendants.

[illegible] hereby notified, that I have fixed upon [illegible] of September 1867, to take and state the following accounts, at my office, to wit:

First.—An account of the transactions of Mrs. [illegible] H. Watkins as administrator of Wiley [illegible] dec'd; taking any accounts herein [illegible] to, as prima facia correct, subject to be charged and falsified.

Second.—An account of the transactions of Alexander H. Ashburn as administrator of Henning Watkins, dec'd.

Third.—An account of any debts and demands against said Wiley Watkins, dec'd; or his estate and their dignity.

Fourth.—An account of all debts and demands against Henning Watkins, dec'd., or his estate and their dignity.

Fifth.—An account of the real estate of which Wiley Watkins, died, seized and possessed or entitled to, and its fee simple and annual value.

Sixth.—An account of the real estate of which Henning Watkins, died, seized and possessed, entitled to, and its fee simple and annual value.

Required to be taken by a decree of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight county, rendered on the 10th day of May 1867, in a suit in Chancery depending in the said Court, in which you are parties, Plaintiffs and Defendants; at which time and place you are required to attend. Given under my hand, as Commissioner in Chancery of said Court, the day and year aforesaid.

N. P. YOUNG,
Commissioner.

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Plaintiffs.

And to

Meredith H. Watkins, administrator of Wiley Watkins, dec'd; Alexander H. Ashburn administralor of Henning Watkins, dec'd; Winney Watkins, Caroline C. Watkins, John Watkins; and Wiley Watkins, (the last three infants.)

Defendants.

You are hereby notified, that I have fixed upon the 6th day of September 1867, to take and settle the following accounts, at my office. to wit:

First.—An account of the transactions of Meredith H. Watkins as administrator of Wiley Watkins dec'd; taking any accounts heretofore rendered, as primafacia correct, subject to be surcharged and falsified.

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Commissioner.

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