

1899-021

Nansemond Co (Suffolk) Chancery Causes: R.E Parker vs Admr of Mary A. Holland et al

Duke, Simons

Will: 1897, Mary Ann Holland, Nansemond Co, VA

Virginia.

No. _____

Suffolk, Va. _____

18 _____

THE First National Bank

Pay to the order of _____

Dollars



SAM. W. BOWMAN - NORFOLK, VA.

\$10⁷⁵/₁₀₀ Rec'd of R H Hawley special Commr in
R.E. Parker vs J.M. Duke Admr Mary A. Holland
cause the sum of \$10⁷⁵/₁₀₀ being costs due as
follows: A.P. Green \$7⁰⁰/₁₀₀ mit tax \$1⁵⁰/₁₀₀; R.R.
Smith \$1²⁵/₁₀₀ A.H. Baker sheriff 50¢ in full of all
costs in said cause up to final decree and end
of suit. Dec. 14. 1898.

A.P. Green Clerk.

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____

189 _____

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

Pay to the order of _____

Dollars



Rec'd of R.H. Rawls special Comm'r in
the cause of R.E. Parker vs J.M. Luke & Lewis
Mary A. Holland died Ten dollars for
crying out land at public auction.
NW. 24th 1898.

Jas J.S. Branch \$10 -
Clerk

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____

189

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

Pay to the order of _____

Dollars



#15-00 Recd of R.H. Rawles special
Commr in R.E. Parker & J.M.
Stark Adam May A Holland deed
fifteen dollars in full of my
fee in making of accounts.
Nov. 23, 1898. John B. Turner
Comr. ex.

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____

189 _____

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

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Dollars



50¢ Paid of RAR Rawles Special Comm
in Parker to Duke Adair fifty
cents for witness fee. Dec 12
1888

J. M. Duke

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____ 189 _____

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

Pay to the order of _____

_____ Dollars



50⁴. Rec'd of R. H. Rawles Special Commis
in the case of R. E. Parker vs Jos. M. Duke Admin
of Mary A. Holland fifty cents for witness
fee in said case, Dec 23 1898.

J. H. Simmons

Mrs Mary A. Holland Esq Dr.
1898.

To S. T. ELLIS, Treasurer of Nansemond County, Va.

No. <u>126</u>	State Tax 30c. on \$100.	State School Tax, 10c. on \$100.	County Levy, 20c. on \$100.	Parish Levy, 8c. on \$100.	County School Tax, 5c. on \$100.	District School Tax, 5c. on \$100.	County Road Tax, 10c. on \$100.	TOTAL TAX.
No of Acres <u>83</u>								
To Real Estate, value \$ <u>498.</u>	<u>149</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>437</u>
" Personal Property, value \$								
" Merchandise, value \$								
" Poll Taxes		~~100~~					~~50~~	
Total								<u>437</u>
5 per cent. additional								
Total								

Received payment 24 day of November 1898

S. T. Ellis Treasurer,
Per W. A. King

\$100' Recd of R.H. Rawles
Special Commr in Parker
vs Duke, Advrs one dollar
for witness fee of self &
~~Harry~~ Powell, 50^{cts} each.
Nov. 23 1898

W.H. Halland

ESTABLISHED 1876.

Suffolk, Va., Nov 24 1898

Mr Judge R H Rauls App Court

To SUFFOLK HERALD, Dr.

Newspaper and Job Printing Establishment,

No. 9 WASHINGTON SQUARE.

Terms of this Bill.....

1898

July 4	To Pub order Patn	
	Mrs May a Hollands Luns	
	4 cr	5.00
Oct 18	57 Bills note of Sale	
	57 Mrs Hollands Luns	1.00
21	advg Sale of Land	
	5 in 2 cr	5.00

To 11.00

Recd Payment
J E Brown

If not delivered in five days return to

R. H. RAWLES,
Attorney at Law and Notary Public,
SUFFOLK, VA.

Vouchers.

The Farmers Bank of Nansemond

No. _____

Pay to the order of

\$ _____

Dollars

Suffolk, Va., _____

189 _____

Recd of R. H. Rawles Special Commis in the
Cause of R. E. Parker et al vs Jas. M. Duke Adm'r.
Mary A. Holland dec'd and Joseph Holland
One Hundred and Six + $\frac{39}{100}$ Dollars in full
payment of my judgment and interest. July 23^d
1899.

R. E. Parker

\$106 $\frac{39}{100}$

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____ 189

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

Pay to the order of _____

_____ Dollars



Wm. Mann Co. Philadelphia.

Recd of R. H. Rawles special Commr in the
Case of R. E. Parker vs J. M. Duke Admin. Mary
A. Holland et al thirty nine + $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars in
full payment of judgment & costs which I hold
as the estate of Mary A. Holland dec'd.
Nov. 24. 1898

Mary C. ^{her} Morflet
mark \$39.45-

Witness:—

E. E. Kaciano

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____

189

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

Pay to the order of _____

Dollars



Recd of R. H. Rawles Special Commr in
the Cause of R. E. Parker vs J. M. Duke Admin
Mory A. Holland Forty Eight one + $\frac{45}{100}$ -
dollar in full payment of expenses & costs
which I hold v. the estate Mory A. Holland
decd. Nov. 24 - 1888.

\$81.45-

Henry M Holland

No. _____

Suffolk, Va., _____

189 _____

The Farmers Bank of Hansemond

Pay to the order of _____

Dollars



Wm. Mann Co., Philadelphia.

Rec'd of R. H. Rawles special Comm'r in the case
of R. E. Parker vs. James M. Duke Adm'r of Mary
& Holland dec'd Fourteen & $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars in
full payment of Inheritance and costs in
the estate of T. H. Savage as said James
M. Duke Adm'r of Mary & Holland dec'd

\$14²⁰

Thos. C. Savage

Suffolk, Va., Jan 27th 1898
Mrs Mary A. Holland: Est^d

To R. W. BAKER & CO., Dr.
Furniture Dealers and Undertakers.

SMITH BLOCK, HEAD OF MAIN STREET.

1897

Sept 2	To Funeral Expenses of Mary A. Holland	85.00
	By Cash of J. M. D. to Admin.	10.15
	Pair B R N Records	24.85
	R W Baker & Co	

R. H. RAWLES,
Attorney at Law and Notary Public,
SUFFOLK, VA.

PRACTICES IN ALL STATE AND
FEDERAL COURTS.

\$165;04 . Received of R. H. Rawles, special commissioner in the cause
of R. E. Parker et als, vs, Josephus Holland and James M. Duke Admin-
istrator of Mary A. Holland deceased, the sum of One Hundred ~~25~~ and
Sixty Fivedollars andfour cents, in full of the amount due and coming to
me in the said case fromthe sale ofthe land of which my mother ~~died~~
Mary A. Holland, died seized and possessed, after the payment of all the
costs and expenses, of the suit and sale, in the said cause . January
1899.

Josephus Holland

Witness ;

B T E

O A M Borkle

of Taxation - Tex 11

R E Parker R H Rawles atty

1897-

To A. P. GOMER, Clerk Circuit Court of Nansemond County, Dr.

Tax ~~and Clerk Fees~~ in suit *in Chancery vs*

Nov 28th

James M Duke Admr &c

\$ 1.50

May 31st 1898 Paid *A. P. Gomer* Clerk.

RN Rayoles atty
\$1.50

To the Clerk of the Circuit
Court of Nausetown County.

R. E. Parker

Plff

^{vs}
Josephus Holland &
Jas. M. Duke Admr of
Mary A. Holland decd

Defendants

Issue summons for Plaintiff
against defendants to first
February rules 1898 to answer
and Plaintiff of a bill in
chancery.

Pay \$1.50

R. H. Rawles

p. q.

Virginia :-

Nausetown County to wit :-

I, R. H. Rawles, agent for R. E.
Parker do swear that Josephus Hol-
land one of the defendants named
above is not a resident of this state.
Jan'y 28. 1898. R. H. Rawles.

Sworn to before me by R. H. Rawles on
this 28th day of January 1898.

A. J. Gomer Clerk

Memo. for
Clerk.

Law Office of

R. H. RAWLES, ASSIGNEE OF H. W. BRADSHAW.

SUFFOLK, VA., April 21, 1898.

DEAR SIR--Having been appointed assignee of Mr. HENRY W. BRADSHAW, I am now proceeding to collect all accounts due him. I find an account against you for \$----- . I will thank you to call at my office and settle this without delay, so that I may close up the matter.

Very respectfully,

R. H. RAWLES, Assignee.

May A. Holland;

adjoining land of the
N. J. Parkhouse.

Abraham P. Rypley, =

Mrs E Benton

Willie J. J. J. J.

{ County road ~~leading~~ from
Blackwater

North side of it.
and others.

To James M. Duke Administrator of
the Estate of Mary A Holland
deceased

You are hereby notified that on the 20th day of - September - 1898
at my office, in Suffolk, Va., (at which time and place you are required to attend), I shall take, state and
settle the following accounts which are to be taken, stated and settled and reported to Court in pursuance of the
decree of the Circuit Court of Hansemond County, Va., rendered the 19th
day of - April - 1898, in the suit in chancery pending in said Court ^{wherein R. C. Parker is} ~~to which you~~
~~plaintiff and James M. Duke Administrator of the Estate of Mary A Holland deceased~~ ^{are} ~~the parties plaintiff and defendant~~ ^{to-wit: and Josephus Holland are Defendants, to-wit:}
First, An Account of the transactions of James M. Duke, Administrator
of the estate of Mary A. Holland, deceased, showing especially whether
he has in hand any funds with which to pay the debts set up in the bill.
Secondly, The real estate of which Mary A. Holland died seized
and possessed together with its annual and fee simple values
Thirdly, The liens thereon, together with their amounts, dignities
and priorities and whether the same has been paid for ~~delin-~~
~~quent taxes~~
Fourthly, Whether the said real estate will rent for enough in
five years net to pay off and discharge the debts men-
tioned in the bill
Fifthly, Any other facts deemed pertinent by the said commission-
er or which any party in interest shall require to be
stated.

Given under my hand, as Commissioner in Chancery of said Court, this - 10th - day of
September 1898.

John R. Pinney,

WILBUR J. KILBY,

Commissioner in Chancery.

Perzic of This notice is hereby acknowledged
September 10th 1858

X J m Decker

Administrator of the Estate of
Mary A. Holland deceased

Virginia ; Nansemond County to-wit; .

In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county in vacation this day of January 1898.

R. E. Parker

Plaintiff.

vs

Josephus Holland ,and James M. Duke

Admr of Mary A. Holland deceased

Defendants.

The object of this suit is to subject the real estate of which the said Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed in said county, to the payment of a certain judgement for \$99 which the plaintiff has obtained and docketed against said administrator ; and to subject said real estate to the payment of any other liens which may be docketed ^{or filed} against the same ; and for an account of the transactions of James M. Duke administrator of the said Mary A. Holland deceased ; and affidavit having been made and filed that the said Josephus Holland is not a resident of this State it is ordered that he appear at the said clerk's office within fifteen days after due publication hereof and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit .

Order Publication

Circuit Court.

Tuesday after the Second Monday
in April and October.

HON. ROBERT R. PRENTIS, Judge.

AZRA P. GOMER, Clerk.

Nansemond County Clerks'

Suffolk, Va

New Advertisements.

VIRGINIA—NANSEMOND COUNTY,
to wit: In the Clerk's office of the
Circuit Court of Nansemond county, in
vacation, this 28th day of January, 1898—

R. E. Parker.....Plaintiff,

AGAINST

Josephus Holland, and James M. Duke,
administrator of Mary A. Holland, de-
ceased.....Defendants.

The object of this suit is to subject the
real estate of which the said Mary A. Hol-
land died siezed and possessed, in said
county, to the payment of a certain judg-
ment for \$99, with interest and costs, which
the plaintiff has obtained and docketed
against said administrator; and to subject
said real estate to the payment of any
other liens which may be docketed or filed
against the same; and for an account of
the transactions of James M. Duke, ad-
ministrator of the said Mary A. Holland,
deceased. And affidavit having been made
and filed that the said Josephus Holland
is not a resident of this State, it is ordered
that he appear at the said Clerk's office
within fifteen days after due publication
hereof and do what may be necessary to
protect his interest in this suit.

A Copy—Teste:

A. P. GOMER, Clerk.
R. H. RAWLKS, p. q. fe4-4t

I A P Gomer Clerk of the Circuit
Court of Nansemond County do
Certify that the above order of
Publication was posted at the front
door of Court house of Nansemond County
on Monday the 14th day of July 1898. it
being the first day of the July term of the
Nansemond County Court.

A P Gomer Clerk.

VIRGINIA—NANSEMOND COUNTY,
to wit: In the Clerk's office of the
Circuit Court of Nansemond county, in
vacation, this 28th day of January, 1898—

R. E. Parker.....Plaintiff,
AGAINST

Josephus Holland, and James M. Duke,
administrator of Mary A. Holland, de-
ceased.....Defendant.

The object of this suit is to subject the
real estate of which the said Mary A. Hol-
land died siezed and possessed, in said
county, to the payment of a certain judg-
ment for \$99, with interest and costs, which
the plaintiff has obtained and docketed
against said administrator; and to subject
said real estate to the payment of any
other liens which may be docketed or filed
against the same; and for an account of
the transactions of James M. Duke, ad-
ministrator of the said Mary A. Holland,
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and filed that the said Josephus Holland
is not a resident of this State, it is ordered
that he appear at the said Clerk's office
within fifteen days after due publication
hereof and do what may be necessary to
protect his interest in this suit.

A Copy—Teste:

A. P. GOMER, Clerk.

R. H. RAWLES, p. q.

fe4-4t

Office of The Herald.

Suffolk, Va., April 1 1898

I hereby certify that the order of which the annexed is a
copy has been published in THE SUFFOLK HERALD in the
manner prescribed by law—once a week for four successive
weeks.

J. E. Parker

Editor Herald.

Virginia ; Nansemond County to-wit; .

In the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county in vacation this day of January 1898.

R. E. Parker

Plaintiff.

vs

Josephus Holland , and James M. Duke

Admr of Mary A. Holland deceased

Defendants.

The object of this suit is to subject the real estate of which the said Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed, in said county, to the payment of a certain judgement for \$99 which the plaintiff has obtained and docketed against said administrator ; and to subject said real estate to the payment of any other liens which may be ^{or filed} docketed against the same ; and for an account of the transactions of James M. Duke administrator of the said Mary A. Holland deceased ; and affidavit having been made and filed that the said Josephus Holland is not a resident of this State it is ordered that he appear at the said clerk's office within fifteen days after due publication hereof and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit .

Order Publication

ATLAS VAUGHAN VS. VAUGHAN /

CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Josephus Holland
vs. M. Duke Admr. of Mary
R. Holland decd

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, at the Rules to be held
for the said Court, on the *Tusk* Monday in *February 1898*, to answer
a Bill in Chancery, exhibited against *Them*
in the said Court by *R. E. Parker*

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *28th* day of
January, 189*8*, in the 12^{*and*}*2th* year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste:

Teste:

A. P. Gomer, CLERK.

A. P. Gomer, CLERK.

Not found in
my County
R E Taylor SS
For Atty Genl Off

R A Rawles p. q.

A Copy for
Josephus Halland

vs. } In Chancery.

18-98-

February Rules.

First Monday.

Nansemond Circuit Court.

Process Book No. 2

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CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Josephus Holland
Wm Duke Admr of Mary
Holland decd.

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, at the Rules to be held
for the said Court, on the *First* Monday in *February* 1898, to auswer
a Bill in Chancery, exhibited against *Them*
in the said Court by *R. E. Parker*

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *28th* day of
January, 189*8*, in the *one* 22nd year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste:

Teste:

CLERK. }

CLERK.

Executed this the 4th day of February 1898 by Sewing a
true Copy of the within process on James M Duke Adm'r
of Mary A Holland dec'd in person Josephus Holland
not found in my County

R E Norbert Deft-
For A H Baker Shff

R. A. Parker p. q.

R. E. Parker

218.

In Chancery.

Josephus Holland &
others

1898

Orebrun Rules.

Shiff Monday.

Nansemond Circuit Court.

Process Book No. 21

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Know All Men by These Presents, That we, *Richard N Rawles*
and Julius S Rawles

are held and firmly bound unto the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA in the just and full
sum of *Six hundred* DOLLARS,
to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made to the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves,
and each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly
by these presents.

And we waive the benefit of our exemption as to this obligation, and also waive any claim or
right to discharge any liability to the said Commonwealth arising under this bond, or by virtue of
the office, post or trust herein mentioned, with coupons detached from bonds of said Commonwealth.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this *17th* day of *October* in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety eight*, and in the *123rd* year
of the Commonwealth.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas *by a*
decree of the Circuit Court of Nansmond Virg-
inia pronounced on the 13th day of October 1898
in the Chancery Cause pending in the said Court
between R E Parker Complainant and James M Duke
Admr & others defendants, the above bound Richard
N Rawles was appointed Special Commissioner for the
purposes specified in said decree.

Now therefore if the said Robert N Rawles shall
faithfully discharge his duties under said decree
and all other decrees he may be required to exe-
cute in said cause, then the above obligation is
to be void, otherwise it is to remain in full force
and effect.

R N Rawles
J S Rawles



In the office of the Clerk of the *Circuit* Court of Nansmond County, on the
17th day of *October* 189*8*

The above bond was executed and acknowledged by the obligors (the surety justifying
on oath as to *his* sufficiency) and recorded.

A copy

Teste:

A P Gomer

CLERK.

Teste:

A P Gomer

R N Rawles

To Spec. Comm. Bond

The Commonwealth.

1898

October 17th

Recorded in Official
Bond Book No 1
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A copy

R E Parker

vs
J M Duke Adm &c

To the Honorable Robert R. Preble,
Judge of the Circuit Court of
Harrison County :-

The undersigned special Commissioner
in the case of R. E. Parker vs. James
M. Duke Adm'r of Mary A. Holland
decd and others, begs leave to sub-
mit the following report of his
transactions under the chain of Dec.
1st 1898.

Pursuant to said decree he has
collected from the purchaser of the
real estate ordered to be sold, all
the purchase money, that he has
made to the purchaser J. L. Horton
a deed for the said real estate
with the usual covenants of title
and that he has paid all the
costs and expenses of the suit
and sale, all the debts proved
against the estate and has paid
the remainder to Joseph Holland
the heir at law of the said
Mary A. Holland decd. He herewith
affords a statement of his collection
and disbursements accompanied
with the proper vouchers, all of
which is respectfully submitted.

R. A. Rawles
Special Commr.

Sold the real estate to J. L. Horton
for the sum of

\$575.00

Paid out:

A. P. Gomer, Clerk Court	\$ 10.75 ✓
J. E. Burke, Printing	11.00 ✓
J. B. Pinner, Commr accts.	15.00 ✓
J. J. S. Branch, Crier	10.00 ✓
S. T. Ellis, Taxes	4.37 ✓
S. H. Simmons, witness fee	.50 ✓
W. H. Holland " "	.50 ✓
Henry Powell " "	.50 ✓
J. M. Duke " "	.50 ✓
R. H. Rawls, Commission on vol. ^{paid} pd.	20.50
sent to purchase. Paid, RHR.	5.00
Legal atty fee in case Pa RHR	15.00
The amount of debt to RHR. Pd.	50.00
Total costs and expenses	~~\$ 143.62~~

Paid

Henry W. Holland's judgment	\$ 81.45 ✓
Mary C. Wright's judgment	39.45 ✓
R. E. Parker's " "	106.39 ✓
R. W. Baker & Co's bill	24.85 ✓
Thos. A. Savage " "	14.20 ✓
Total debts.	~~\$ 266.34~~

Paid

Josephus Holland, heir, balance	~~\$ 165.04~~
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Recapitulation:

Amount rec'd from sale	\$575.00
Paid cost & expenses	\$ 143.62
Paid debts	266.34
Paid heir at law	165.04
	~~\$ 575.00~~

Deeds filed for disbursements.

R. H. Rawls
Special Commr.

Report of
Destitution

To the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss, Judge of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County ;

The undersigned, special commissioner appointed by a decree of the circuit court of Nansemond county on the 13th day of October 1898, in the chancery cause of R. E. Parker vs James M. Duke Administrator of Mary A. Holland deceased and Josephus Holland to sell the real estate mentioned in the bill in said cause of which Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed, begs leave to submit the following report of his transactions under the said decree :

After having first given bond with security as required by said decree and after having duly advertised the sale of the said land as required by said decree and after having in all oth^{er} respects fully ~~com~~ complied with all the requirements of the said decree, your commissioner offered the said real estate for sale at public auction to the highest bidder on Monday the 14th day of November 1898, that being court day, in front of the court house door of the said county, at which said sale James L. Horton made the last and highest bid therefor, and the same was struck off to him at the price of \$575 ;00. The said purchaser has paid \$300 of the said purchase money, and is anxious to pay the remainder and get a deed for the said land, as soon as the said sale is confirmed. The said sale was made on the terms set forth in said decree.

Your commissioner thinks this a good sale, as it is an advance of ^{over} forty percent on the valuation of said land as fixed by the commissioner John B. Pinner, as shown by the testimony of several witnesses. All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. A. Rawles
Special Commis

Report of Sale.

Filed November
18th 1898.

A. P. Gomez clerk

English Kitchen
Mexarkana Jan 2nd 1899

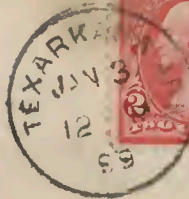
Friend Dock,

I received
your letter in due time
I was glad to hear from
you. Make some time
to get the money if you can
and you will
Oblig yours as ever

Josephus Holland
of
James M

Dr
Direct to Josephus Holland
English Kitchen
No 212 State Street
Mexarkana
Tex

R. H. Rawls
attorney at Law
Suffolk Co
Nansemon Co Va





Benj. T. Estes, PRES.

Wm. Buchanan, V. PRES.

W. R. Grim, CASHIER.

C. H. McCorkle, ASST. CASH.

NO. 3785.

The Texarkana National Bank.

Capital \$100,000.

Surplus & Profits \$80,000.

Texarkana, Tex. Jan 25th 1899

Friend Rawls

I received your letter in due time and I have signed the Receipt but I think I ought to have had more than that amount please send me the amount of debt and what they want for send the money by Bank Express as before on New York

Josephus Hollander
No 212 State Street
in care of English Kitchen
Texarkana
Texas

700±

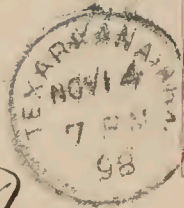
65-
303-
180
320
~~430~~
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my dear killing me and
I have bin sick ever since
please let me know all
about the estate who it
owed and how much each
one reciv'd & have all the
confidence in you Duck
There never lived a more
honourable man than
Henry Rawls your Father
please let me know what
you think the Farm will bring
I may come Home before
Christmas I will if I can
People may blame me for
leaving Home as I did
They would not if they
new all & have kept cover^{ed}
up write as soon as you
get this and Oblige yours

Josephus Holland

Direct—
Yer ark an
Yes
Brood. 34
No 2 1/2
in of
Cassat
Emmy

Yexarkana Yes Oct. 12/98
Old Friend Richard
Rawls Dear Sir I will
fun you a short messin
to let you all here from
me I have ben doing
buisness in the Indian
Territory for the last 6
years in a Restaurant
and saloon business
I sold out in March
and started home stoped
at De Queen ark. a short
time then I was taking
sick then I was out riding
the ~~the~~ team runaway
through me out and
broke my jaw came



Richard H. Rawls
attorney at Law
Suffolk, P. O.
Nassau County Va. 6



Texarkana, Texas, Oct 28th/₁₁ 1898

Friend R H Rawls Dear Sir your
letter of the 17. came duly to hand and in
regard to the settlement of the Estate I think
the charges is enormous \$1.00 and my friends
there say that it ought to sell for 6 or 7
hundred dollars, I would like to know
what became of all the House hold goods
and there must have bin some stock they
say that there have bin good crops ever
since Pa Pa died so I think that I ought to
have \$2.00 out of the hole Estate My father
payed \$5.00 for that Farm in 1871 I hope
you will not me be imposed upon as I could
not get there without a sacrifice I have
in arkinsaw a house and lot and some
mining property Lea & Jack wish will
pay if worked I did not have enough
money to sink a shaft and I could
not get sale Cash for the House & lot
you see how I am placed \$2.00 will be
nothing to me after a time but know it
is I have got a good Essay as any of
them there

the Restaurant here I only one half so do
the best you can for me if you send me
any money notify me No 212 Broad St Texarkana

I will come Home Christmas if I live
Just notify me in the care of Earnest Emmy
and Oblig

Josephus Hollander son James

I have writing Madison Duke
2 letter and have not recd
my answer yet I directed
to Hollander PO Mansfield
Pa
Va

THOS. H. ESTES,
Blacksmith and Woodworkman,
Texarkana, Texas.



Richard H. Rawls Esq
Attorney at Law
Suffolk P O
Charlottesville
Va



P.P I have wrote Maduro Duke
twice and now answers what
benefit he has bin to me
is yet to be known and me
a notice to

619 Spruce St. J. H. H. H.

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Benj. T. Estes, PRES.

Wm. Buchanan, V. PRES.

W. B. Grim, CASHIER.

C. H. McChorkle, ASST. CASH.

NO. 3785.

The Texarkana National Bank.

Capital \$100,000.

Surplus & Profits \$80,000.

Bank Notes Like Gold

Texarkana, Tex. Nov 26th 1898

Friend R H Rawls

I received
your letter and have signed
the papers as directed I have
placed all confidence in you
from the accts presented there
is two hundred and forty
dollars coming to me please
send it as soon as you can
you can send it by New York
exchange to The National Bank
of Texarkana or to suit your
self but do the best you can for
an old friend the Quage have
witnessed it W. T. Estes attorney
at Law of this Place and Oblige
yours as ever Josephus Hollander
no. 619 Spruce Street
Texarkana
Texas

As there are two express Comp^{ies}
here Pacific express and the
Wells Fargo express Comp^{ies} here
so you may know best-how
to send the money
yours in respect-

Josephus Holland

Direct your notice to No 619
Spruce Street Texarkana
if you have not- Yes
sent it-

Inter-State Drug Store.

H. R. Webster, Prop'r.

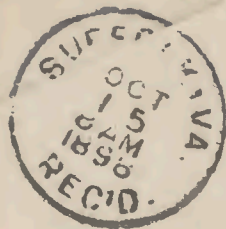
212 W. Broad Street.

Texarkana, Tex., Nov 14th 1898

Friend Rawls I wrote you on the
rest of your last letter of the 17th
of Oct and I would like to hear
from you in regard to the sale
of the money you and the farm
would be sold in a few days and
the money would be sent soon after
please send me a notice how you
will send it, and the receipts
of those bills paid I received a
letter from Madison Dukes the
other day and one from Wm
Holland my Cousin I cannot
come before Christmas I think
I can sell that house + lot in
arkansas pretty near as the
lot you can and you shall be
rewards Yours Josephus Holland



Richard Rawls Esq
Attorney at Law
Suffolk, P.O.
Hanover County
Va.



AUCTION SALE

—OF A—

Valuable Farm!

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county, entered on the 13th day of October, 1898, in the chancery cause of R. E. Parker et als. vs. James M. Duke, administrator of Mary A. Holland, deceased, and Josephus Holland, I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder,

On Monday, November 14th, 1898,

that being court day, before the Courthouse door of this county, the following valuable real estate of which Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed, to wit:

A certain tract of land in Chuckatuck district, in Nansemond county, Virginia, containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less, though the same will be sold in gross and not by the acre, and bounded as follows: On the north by the run of the swamp; on the east by the land formerly belonging to Sarah Pruden; on the south by the land of W. B. Whitehead, or which was his, and the land of the Upper Parish Poorhouse, and on the west by the land of said parish, with the exception of a small tract which the said Mary A. Holland sold in her lifetime to J. L. Fulgham by deed dated May 24, 1876.

TERMS—One-half cash, the remainder in six months, and title to be retained until further order of Court, but with the option to the purchaser to pay the whole in cash if he so desires.

R. H. RAWLES,

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.

I, A. P. Gomer, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county, do certify that R. H. Rawles, special commissioner in the chancery cause now pending in said court under the style of R. E. Parker et als. vs. James M. Duke, administrator of Mary A. Holland, deceased, et al., has given bond, as required by decree in said cause, with security deemed sufficient by me.

Given under my hand this 17th day of October, 1898.

A. P. GOMER, CLERK.

To James M. Duke, administrator of Mary A. Holland deceased, and Josephus Holland .

Please take notice that I shall appear before the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss, Judge of the circuit court of Nansemond county, at his office in Suffolk, Virginia, on the 1st day of December 1898 and move the said court to make and enter the foregoing and annexed decree, in the chancery cause of R. E. Parker vs James M. Duke, administrator of Mary A. Holland deceased, and Josephus Holland, and if from any cause the said motion be not heard that day then the same will be continued and repeated from day to day or from time ^{to time} at the same place until the same shall have ^{been} heard and determined .

R. E. Parker
By R. H. Rawls atty.

We hereby acknowledge sufficient and legal service of the ^{above} ~~said~~ notice and consent and agree that the said decree above alluded to, may be entered in the said cause .

J. M. Duke, Admin
Mary A. Holland's estate.
X Josephus Holland X

Witness :-

B. J. Estlin atty

Decree Confirming
Sale and ordering
Recd

Recd in the said case

and content and agree that the said decree above alluded to may be en-
forced without delay and that the said decree be given effect at the said office

Handwritten signature and text, likely a confirmation or receipt.

Recd in the said case

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R. E. Parker, vs. James M. Duke, Administrator of Mary A. Holland deceased,
and Josephus Holland .

In the Circuit Court of Nansemond county ; in vacation this 1st day
of December 1898 .

in which it appears that the defendants have had reasonable notice of the complainant's intention to apply for this decree
This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read
as well as on the report of R. H. Rawles, special commissioner, duly appointed to sell the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, which report was filed on the 18th day of November 1898 and to which no exception has been filed and was argued by counsel .

On consideration whereof, it appearing to the court that the said special commissioner, had sold the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, of which Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed, for the sum of \$575 which it appears is a fair and reasonable price for the same ; and it further appearing that the purchaser James L. Horton has paid the sum of \$300. on the purchase money, and is now desirous to pay the remainder of \$275, the court doth confirm the said sale and doth report of the said special commissioner, *by consent of the defendants,* and doth order, adjudge and decree, that the said special commissioner collect the remainder of the purchase money whenever the purchaser is ready to pay the same, and after the whole if it has ~~been paid~~ been paid, that the said commissioner shall make to the said purchaser James L. Horton a deed for the said land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, of which Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed, with the usual covenants of title ; and out of the proceeds of said sale, he shall first pay all the costs and expenses of this suit and sale, including an attorneys fee of \$ 50. — to the said R. H. Rawles for his services in this case ; all the taxes now due on the said land, and then proceed to pay off the liens on the said land as reported by Commissioner John B. Pinner, as well as the open account reported by him to be due, and the remainder, if any there be, he shall pay over to the said Josephus Holland, taking proper vouchers for all his disbursements under this decree ; and he shall report all his acts under this decree to this court, and this cause is continued .

Robert J. Trentis.
To the Clerk of the
Circuit Court of Nansemond County.

and this case is continued.

Accordingly he shall report all his acts under this decree to this court from Holland, taking proper vouchers for all his disbursements under this and the remainder if any there be he shall pay over to the said James H. Pinner as well as the open account reported by him to be due and to pay off the liens on the said land as reported by Commissioner and to be satisfied with the same and also on the said land and then the above so mentioned fee of \$50.00 to the said J. H. Pinner for his services shall first pay all the costs and expenses of this suit and said income the usual coverments of title; and out of the proceeds of said sale he has mentioned of which Mary A. Holland said seized and possessed with her husband James J. Horton a debtor the said land in the bill and process having been paid that the said Commissioner shall take to the said Commissioner is ready to pay the same and after the whole if it has special Commissioner collect the remainder of the purchase money whenever special Commissioner and such order, judgments and decrees that the said the court shall confirm the said report of the said Commissioner and the purchase money and is ready to pay the remainder of \$375.00 according to the purchase money James J. Horton has been the sum of \$300.00 it appears is a fair and reasonable price for the same; and if further, which Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed for the sum of \$525.00 Commissioner has sold the land in the bill and process mentioned of the Commissioner above, it appearing that the costs and expenses of this action no exception has been filed and the said Commissioner has reported that the report was filed on the 10th of December 1898 in the said proceedings mentioned, which on the 10th of December 1898 of the said Commissioner special Commissioner this report on this day to remain heard on the said Commissioner formerly and

Entered 1898
Robert R. Davis
Entered in
Chancery Order
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of December 1898.

In the Circuit Court of Harpersburg county: in vacation this 24th day of December 1898.

J. H. Pinner as James H. Pinner Administrator of Mary A. Holland deceased

R. E. Parker — vs. — James M. Duke, Adm'r of Mary A. Holland deceased,
and Josephus Holland.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formally read, as well as on the report of John B. Pinner, one of the commissioners of this court, to whom it was referred, which said report was filed on the 1st day of October 1898, and to which no exception has been ~~filed~~ filed, and was urged by counsel.

On consideration whereof, ~~the~~ court doth confirm the said report, and being of the opinion, from the papers and evidence filed in the case, that the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, will not rent for enough in five years, to ~~pay~~ off and discharge the liens reported on the said land, the court doth order adjudge and decree, that R. H. Rawles, who is hereby appointed a special commissioner for that purpose, shall proceed to sell the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, of which Mary A. Holland ~~doth~~ seized and possessed, at public auction, before the courthouse door of this county, on some court day, after first having advertised the sale of the same for twenty days, by hand bills publicly posted in at least five different places in said county, in the neighborhood of said land, and at the court house door of said county; said sale to be to the highest bidder, on the following terms to-wit; one half cash, and the remainder in ^{six} ~~twelve~~ months, ^{the} to deferred payment to be evidenced by the bond of the purchaser, and the title to be retained until the further order of the court, but with the option to the purchaser to pay the whole of the purchase money in cash, if he so elects. ~~And out of the proceeds arising from said sale (provided the same be confirmed by the court) the said special commissioner shall first pay all the costs and expenses of this suit and sale, including a fee of \$ to R.H. Rawles for his services in this case; and then pay the debts and liens reported on the said land, in the said report of Commissioner Pinner; and the balance, if any, pay over to the said Josephus Holland unless otherwise directed by the court. But the said special commissioner shall not act under this decree, until he shall have first entered into a bond in the penalty of \$600, with security deemed sufficient by the clerk of this court, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties~~

under this and all other decrees, that may hereafter be entered in this cause ; ~~and this cause is continued~~ .

And he is required to report all his proceedings under this decree to this Court, and this cause is continued.

Deane for
Sale,

Enter: -

Oct. 13, 1898.

Robert C. Hunt's

Entered in

Chy O.D. 3

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R. E. Parker

vs

James M. Duke administrator of the estate of Mary A. Holland deceased and Josephus Holland .

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill and the exhibits filed, and the defendants, who appear to have been proceeded against in the manner prescribed by law, failing to plead, answer, or demur, the said bill was taken for confessed, and the cause was argued by counsel ;

On consideration whereof the Court doth order, adjudge, and decree that ~~a~~ ^{and state} one of the Commissioners of this court shall proceed to take ^{the} following accounts ;

First ; An account of the transactions of James M. Duke administrator of the estate of Mary A. Holland deceased, showing especially whether he has in hand any funds with which to pay the debts set up in the bill .

Secondly ; The real estate of which Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed, together with its annual and fee simple values .

Thirdly ; the liens thereon, together with their amounts, dignities, and priorities, *and what in the same has been sold for delinquent taxes. -*

Fourthly ; Whether the said real estate will rent for enough in five years, net, to pay off and discharge the debts mentioned in the bill.

Fifthly ; Any other facts deemed pertinent by the said commissioner, or which any party in interest shall require to be stated .

And the said commissioner is required to report all his transactions under this decree, to this court, and this cause is continued .

Debit For Accounts

Enter: April 12,
1898

Robert R. D. D. D.

Entered in
Chauncy Order

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This Deed made this nineteenth day of January
A.D. 1874 between James M Holland and Mary
Ann his wife of the County of Nansemond parties
of the 1st part and James M Duke of the same
place party of the second part. Witnesseth that in
consideration of the sum of Five hundred dollars the
said James M Holland and Mary Ann his wife
do grant with general warranty unto the said
James M Duke the following real estate to wit
a tract of land in the Churchatuck Township
Nansemond County, and contains one hundred
and fifty acres more or less, bounded as follows
on the North by the run of the swamp East by the land
of Sarah P. Pruden South the land of Wm B Whitlock
and land of the Upper Parish Poorhouse west by
the said Parish land, and the said James M Hol-
land and Mary Ann his wife doth covenant that they
will warrant and for ever defend the said right
and title of the said land to the said James M
Duke and his heirs executors and administrators
for ever

Witness this the day January 1874
the following signatures & seals

D P Wright, v
Thos E ^{Ex} Bentons
mark

James M Holland Seal
Mary A Hollands Seal

State of Virginia County of Nansemond to wit,

I, ^{James M Duke} ~~James M Duke~~ ^{James M Duke} do certify that James M Holland
whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed
over

bearing bearing date on the 19th day January 1874 has acknow-
 ledged the same before me in ^{this office} ~~my~~ ~~office~~ aforesaid and I
 do further certify that Mary Ann Holland the wife of
 the said James M Holland whose name is likewise
 signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date as aforesaid
 personally appeared before me in my ^{office} ~~office~~ aforesaid
 and being examined by me privily and apart from her
 husband and the writing aforesaid fully explained to
 her, she said Mary Ann Holland acknowledged the
 writing to be her act, declared that she had willingly
 executed the same and that she did not wish to retract
 it and the same was thereupon admitted to record.

Given under my hand this 20th day January 1874
 Willis & Bohm clks

(Examiner)

James M Holland & Wif

20th Dec 7 1874

James M. & Wif
 1874
 Jan 20th

1st & acknowledged & admitted
 to record
 W. B. Bohm clerk

Deed Book No 14
 page 42

1897 September 4th
 Examined perused
 and delivered

W. B. Bohm

J. J. P.
 Sec & Day Clerk 1874

1897

Mar 11th

Judgment taken the
 Plaintiff received of the
 defendant the sum of
 \$13²⁰/₁₀₀ and costs.
 the cost of this was paid.
 Dec. 3rd 1898.

AS Eley

Bought of J Z Yates
 the same amount to be
 Mrs Mollie Holland land \$13.20

STATE OF VIRGINIA—COUNTY OF Nausummit, To Wit:

To John J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON James M. Duke Advers
of Mary A. Holland deceased

if to be found in your district, to appear at the Mayor's office in Suffolk Va
in said County, on the 3rd day of December, 1898, at 10. A.M., before me, or such other Justice as may
then be there to try this warrant, to answer the complaint of T. U. Savage

upon a claim for money, for the sum of thirteen + $\frac{20}{100}$ (\$13²⁰) Dollars, due by open acct

And then and there make return of this warrant.

Given under my hand this 25th day of November, 1898.

A. S. Eley,

J. P.



I have executed the within summons
by this day delivering a true copy
thereof to the defendant in my
County of Nausummed. Given
under my hand this 25th day
of November 1898.

John J. S. Branch
Constable

1898

The Estate of Mary A Halland Dr
for Henry H. Halland.

To three years service from
Sept 1894 to Sept 1897 in
hauling cutting wood
farming getting up straw
and carrying on errands
to Suffolk

\$75.00

Judgment for the plaintiff from Jan 24/98
\$75.00 with costs
till paid & \$100

Jan 24/98

STATE OF VIRGINIA—Norfolk COUNTY, To wit:

To Jno J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON J M Duke admr
of the estate of Mary A Halland dec'd
if to be found in your district, to appear at the Mayors office in Suffolk
in said County, on the 24th day of January, 1898, before me, or such other Justice as may
then be there to try this warrant, to answer the complaint of Henry W Halland

upon a claim for money, for the sum of Seventy five Dollars, due by accounth
And then and there make return of this warrant.

Given under my hand this 15th day of January, 1898.

A S Eley

J. P.



Henry W Halland, PLAINTIFF,

VS.

IN DEBT.

J M. Duke Admr of, DEFENDANT.

Mary A Halland dec'd
Suffolk VA.,

Jan 24th 1898
\$75-00

JUDGMENT: That the Plaintiff recover of the Defendant \$75-00 Dollars,
with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1898, till paid, and 1.45/100
Dollars for his costs.

A. S. Eley

J. P.



To Jno J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

I COMMAND YOU, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that of the goods and chattels of
Mary A Halland dec'd in your district,
you cause to be made the sum of 75.00 Dollars,
with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1898, till paid, which
Henry W Halland has recovered
before me, on a warrant in debt; also, the sum of 1.45/100 Dollars, which has been adjudged to the said
Henry W Halland for costs in prosecuting this warrant.

Given under my hand this 24th day of January, 1898.

COSTS TAXED:

Justice.....\$
Clerk of County Court...\$
Constable.....\$
Witnesses.....\$
Total.....\$

A. S. Eley

J. P.



I hereby accept- sufficient- and legal notice service of the
within Summons Jan'y 15th 1898.

J M Duke Admr
of Mary Halland
decd.

Came to hand this 25th day of
January 1898 at 11 O'clock A.M.
J J Branch
Constable,

Nenny W Halland
vs
J M Duke Admr.

Warrant-in debt-

Amt. \$75⁰⁰

I can find no property to
satisfy the within Execu-
tion or any part thereof
Jan'y 25th 1898

J J Branch
Constable

1898 January 26th Recd in
the Clerk's office and docketed
in Magt Docket No 2 Page
142.

Execution Book
No 1 Page 58.

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1898

The Estate of Mary A. Holland

Dr

20 Mary B. Norfleet

20 years service as

acting maid cook and
general housewife in family

Aug 1894 to Aug 1897

per year

\$36.00

Indgment for this sum
\$36.00 with interest from
Jan 24/98 till paid & \$1.45
Jan 24/98

STATE OF VIRGINIA—Nansemond COUNTY, To wit:

To J. J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON J M Duke admr
of Mary A Holland deceased
if to be found in your district, to appear at the Mayors office in Suffolk
in said County, on the 24 day of January, 1898, before me, or such other Justice as may
then be there to try this warrant, to answer the complaint of Mary C Norfleet

upon a claim for money, for the sum of Thirty six Dollars, due by account
And then and there make return of this warrant.

Given under my hand this 16 day of January, 1898.

A. S. Eley, J. P. 

Mary C Norfleet, PLAINTIFF, }
vs. } IN DEBT.

J. M. Duke admr of, DEFENDANT. }
Mary A Holland dec'd }
Suffolk VA., Jan'y 24th 1898

JUDGMENT: That the Plaintiff recover of the Defendant \$36.00 Dollars,
with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1898, till paid, and 1.45/100
Dollars for his costs.

A. S. Eley, J. P. 

To J. J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

I COMMAND YOU, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that of the goods and chattels of
Mary A Holland dec'd in your district,
you cause to be made the sum of \$36.00 Dollars,
with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1898, till paid, which
Mary C Norfleet has recovered
before me, on a warrant in debt; also, the sum of 1.45/100 Dollars, which has been adjudged to the said
Mary C Norfleet for costs in prosecuting this warrant.

Given under my hand this 24th day of January, 1898.

COSTS TAXED:

Justice.....\$
Clerk of County Court...\$
Constable.....\$
Witnesses.....\$
Total.....\$

A. S. Eley, J. P. 

I hereby accept sufficient and legal notice thereof of the
within summons Jan'y 15- 1898

J M. Duke Admr.
of Mary Asbelland deed

Came to Law this 25th.
day of Jan'y 1898 at
11 O'clock A.M.
J J St Branch
J J Constable.

Mary C Norfleet.
vs
J M Duke Admr.
Warrant in debt-
Amt- \$36.⁰⁰

I can find no property to
satisfy the within execution
or any part thereof
Jan'y 24th 1898
J J St Branch
J J Constable

1898 January 26th Recd in
the Clerk's Office and docketed
in Judge's Docket No 2 Page 142

Execution Book
No 1 Page 58

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454 Pd

Estate of Miss Mary A Halland

1897

To R. E. Parker Dr

June	21	To visit + med to self	3 00	
	22	" Do Do	3 00	
	23	" Do Do	3 00	
	27	" Do Do	3 00	
	29	" Do Do	3 00	
July	1	" Do Do	3 00	
	2	" Do Do	3 00	
	4	" Do Do	3 00	
	6	" Do Do	3 00	
	8	" Do Do	3 00	
	9	" Do Do	3 00	
	10	" Do Do	3 00	
	11	" Do Do	3 00	
	12	" Do Do	3 00	
	13	" visit + med in night to self	5 00	
	14	" visit + med day "	3 00	
	15	" Do Do	3 00	
	16	" Do Do	3 00	
	17	" Do Do	3 00	
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	26	" Do Do	3 00	
	28	" Do Do	3 00	
	30	" Do Do	3 00	
Aug	1	" Do Do	3 00	
	4	" Do Do	3 00	
	7	" Do Do	3 00	
	10	" Do Do	3 00	
			498 00	

1897

		20 Amt Recd over	\$ 98 00
Aug	12	30 vis. recd to Surf	3 00
	14	20	3 00
	18	20	3 00
	21	20	3 00
	25	20	3 00
	29	20	3 00
Sept	1	20	3 00

119 00

Jan 19 1898 29 Jan 24/98 till paid

20 00

\$99 00

Indgment for the
 writ interest from Jan 24/98 till paid
 & \$145.00 Costs
 Jan 22/98

H. Eley J.P.

STATE OF VIRGINIA—Nansemond COUNTY, To wit:

To J. J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON J M Duke admr
of Mary A Holland dec'd
if to be found in your district, to appear at the mayors office in Suffolk
in said County, on the 24 day of January, 1898, before me, or such other Justice as may
then be there to try this warrant, to answer the complaint of R E Parker

upon a claim for money, for the sum of ninety nine Dollars, due by admr
And then and there make return of this warrant.

Given under my hand this 15th day of January, 1898.

A. S. Eley, J. P. 

R. E. Parker, PLAINTIFF,
VS. IN DEBT.

J M Duke admr, DEFENDANT.
of Mary A Holland
Suffolk VA., Jan 24th 1898
\$99.00

JUDGMENT: That the Plaintiff recover of the Defendant \$99.00 Dollars,
with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1898, till paid, and 1.45/100
Dollars for his costs.

A. S. Eley, J. P. 

To J. J. S. Branch, Constable of Said County:

I COMMAND YOU, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that of the goods and chattels of
Mary A Holland dec'd in your district,
you cause to be made the sum of \$99.00 Dollars,
with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1898, till paid, which
R E Parker has recovered
before me, on a warrant in debt; also, the sum of 1.45/100 Dollars, which has been adjdged to the said
R E Parker for costs in prosecuting this warrant.

Given under my hand this 24th day of January, 1898.

COSTS TAXED:

Justice\$
Clerk of County Court...\$
Constable.....\$
Witnesses.....\$
Total.....\$

A. S. Eley, J. P. 

I hereby accept sufficient and legal notice and service of the
within summons Jan'y 15th - 1898
J M Duke Admr of
Mary A Holland decd.

Came to hand this 25th day
of January 1898 at 11 O'clock AM
J J S Branch
Constable.

R E Parker
vs
J M Duke Admr.

Warrant in debt -
Amt \$99 00

I can find no property to
satisfy the within execution
or any part thereof
Jan'y 25th 1898
J J S Branch
Constable.

1898 January 26th Received
in the Clerks office and
docketed in Judge's docket -
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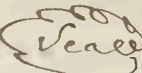
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This Deed, made, this 29th. day of January, AD. 1874,
between James M. Duke and Sarah E. his wife, of
Nansemond County, Virginia, of the one part, and
Dexter H. Holland, Trustee, for Mary Ann Holland,
wife of James M. Holland (of A.), of the same place,
of the other part, Witnesseth: that the said James
M. Duke and Sarah E. his wife, in consideration
of the natural love and affection which they have and
bear unto the said Mary Ann Holland (the said Mary
Ann, being the sister of the said Sarah E.) and also for
other good causes and considerations, them, the said
James M. Duke and Sarah E. his wife moving, do
grant, with special warranty, unto the said Dexter H.
Holland, as Trustee for the said Mary Ann Holland, to
be held and used as hereinafter mentioned, the following
real estate, to wit: a Tract of land, in Chuckatuck
Township, Nansemond County, Virginia, containing
One hundred and fifty (150) acres, more or less, and
bounded as follows: on the North, by the run of
the Swamp: on the East, by the land of Sarah Poulson;
on the South, by the lands of W^m B. Whitehead and the
land of the Upper Parish Poor House; and on the
West, by the land of said Parish: which said
real Estate is to be held by the said Dexter H. Holland,
as Trustee for the said Mary Ann Holland, for her
sole and separate use, benefit and advantage, free
from the debts, contracts and control of the said James
M. Holland (of A.) her husband, and with power

to the said Deben H. Holland, Master, or agent
whenever required, by the said Mary Ann Holland,
sell and convey the same, and with power and
authority to said Mary Ann Holland, by will do
make and execute to dispose of the same.

Witness the following signatures and seals

James M. Dutton 

Sarah E. Dutton 

In the Clerk's Office of Hammond County Court 29th day
of January 1874

This deed was acknowledged by James M. Decker
whose name is signed to the within above bearing
date the 29th day of January 1874 to be his act, and
also personally appeared in my said Office Sarah E.
Decker the wife of James M. Decker whose name is also
signed to be above writing, and being examined by
me privately and apart from her husband, she the said
Sarah E. Decker acknowledged the same to be her act
and declared that she had willingly executed the same
and does not wish to retract it and thereupon
said deed is admitted to record.

Teste

Willis E. Bohrer Clerk

James M. Decker decd.
Do Deed of Gift
Martha M. Decker
Trustee (D. H. McLean)

1874

January 29th Paid duty
collected and admitted
to record.

Deed Book No 4
page 69

24 B.
25 Jan 1874

Yrs & dat - paid \$2.25

Virginia:

At a County Court Continued
and held for the County of Nan-
semond at the Courthouse in the
Town of Suffolk on Tuesday
the 14th day of September 1897.

A paper writing dated the 4th day
of July 1876 purporting to be the last will
and testament of Mary A Holland late of
this County deceased was this day produced
in Court and offered for probate. And it ap-
pearing that David Plwright and Mary J
Savage two of the subscribing witnesses to
said writing, had departed this life, S.
A Simons the only remaining subscribing
witnesses to said writing was duly sworn
and declared that the said writing was
acknowledged by the said Mary A Holland
in his presence, the said David Plwright
and Mary J Savage being absent but that
her signature thereto was not made in his
presence nor was he present at the time the
said David Plwright and Mary J Savage subscribed
their respective names as witnesses to said
writing and is not able to say whether the
signature of said Mary A Holland to said
writing was made in the said writing

was acknowledged by her in their presence or the presence of either of them, or whether they were present together at the same time and subscribed their respective names as witnesses to said writing in her presence. And thereupon Genoa Columbus Wright was duly sworn and deposed that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Mary A. Holland David P. Wright and Mary J. Savage and verily believed that their respective names subscribed to said writing were wholly written by their own respective hands and moreover that he was present when said writing was subscribed by said Mary A. Holland the maker thereof and said David P. Wright and Mary J. Savage the subscribing witnesses thereto and saw the said Mary A. Holland make her signature thereto and heard her acknowledge the due execution thereof in the presence of said David P. Wright and Mary J. Savage, She and they being present together at the same time and also saw the said David P. Wright and Mary J. Savage subscribe their respective names as witnesses to said writing at the request and in the presence of said Mary A. Holland. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said writing is duly and fully proved and that

it be recorded as the true lost will and testament of said Mary A Hollaw deceased.

And on the motion of James M Duke who made oath as the law directs and together with Zachary B Hollaw and Isaac A Luke his sureties (who justified on oath as to their sufficiency entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Two hundred dollars with condition according to law Certificate is granted him the said James M Duke for obtaining letters of Administration on the estate of said Mary A Hollaw deceased with the lost will and testament of said deceased annexed in due form.

And it is ordered that said bond be recorded as prescribed by law.

A copy

Teste J P Gomer D.C

Copy of Probating
M. A. Hollander
will and Admr's
qualification

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I. Mary Ann Hall and wife of
James M. Hall and of a of the
County of Naussement and State
of Virginia being of sound mind
disposing mind memory and
understanding do by virtue of a
power to me in that behalf given
in and by a certain deed from
James M. Duke and Sarah E.
Duke his wife to Dixon A. Holland
trustee for my benefit bearing
date 29th day of January 1876
and duly recorded in the clerk's
office of Naussement County
bath make and publish this
my last will and testament
in manner and form follow-
ing, that is to say all the
land of any description con-
tained and described in
the said deed except the por-
tion sold and conveyed to John
D. Fulgham by deed dated
the 24th day of May 1876
given me therein or intended
so to be I give and bequeath
unto my husband James M.
Hall and of a to him and
his heirs forever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affix my
seal this 4th day of July 1896.

Mary A. Hollcomb

signed sealed and
acknowledged in
our presence by the
Testatrix and all of us
being present together

David P. Wright

Mary J. Savage

S. H. Lewis

Virginia

At a Court Court Con-
tinued and held for the
County of Newsum at
the Court house in the
Town of Suffolk on
Thursday the 14th day of
September 1897

A paper writing dated the 4th
day of July 1896 purporting to be
the last will and testament of
of Mary A. Hollcomb late of this
County deceased was this day
produced in court and offered
for probate. And it appearing
that David P. Wright and

Mary J Savage two of the sub-
scribing witnesses to said
writing have departed this life
S H Sumins the only remaining
subscribing witness to said
writing was duly sworn and
declared that the said writing
was acknowledged by the said
Mary A Hovecutt in his pres-
ence and the said David
P Wright and Mary J Savage
being absent but that her sig-
nature thereto was not made
in his presence nor was he
present at the time the said
David P Wright and Mary
J Savage subscribed their res-
pective names as witnesses
to said writing and is not able
to say whether the signature
of said Mary A Hovecutt to
said writing was made or
the said writing was ac-
knowledged by her in their
presence or the presence of
either of them or whether they
were present together at the
same time and subscribed
their respective names as

as witnesses to said writing
in her presence. And thereupon
Genoa Columbus Wright was duly
sworn and deposed that he
is well acquainted with the
hand writing of the said
Mary A. Holland David P.
Wright and Mary J. Savage
and verily believes that their
respective names subscribed
to said writing were wholly
written by their own respective
hands and moreover that he
was present when said
writing was subscribed
by said Mary A. Holland
the maker thereof and the
said David P. Wright and
Mary J. Savage the subscrib-
ing witnesses thereto and
saw the said Mary A.
Holland make her signa-
ture thereto and heard her
acknowledge the due execu-
tion thereof in the presence
of said David P. Wright and
Mary J. Savage she and
they being present together

at the same time and also saw
the said David P. Wright and
Mary J Savage subscribe their
respective names as witnesses
to said writing at the request
and in the presence of said
May A Holcomb It is therefore
~~ordered~~ ~~conceded~~ by the Court
that the said writing is duly
and fully proved and that
it be recorded as the true last
will and testament of said
May A Holcomb deceased.

And on the motion of James
M Duke who made oath as the
law directs and together with
Zachary S. Holcomb and
Isaac A Luke his surties
who justified in oath as to
their sufficiency entered
into and acknowledged
a bond in the penalty of
Two hundred dollars with
condition according to law
Certificate is granted him
the said James M Duke for
obtaining letters of administra-
tion on the estate of said May
A Holcomb deceased with the

last will and testament of
said deceased annexed in
due form And it is ordered that
said last be recorded as pres-
cribed by law.

Teste AB Somers D.C.

A copy Teste:

Mary a Hollands'
will

Ex. 6

A Copy
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Commissioner's Office,
Suffolk, Va,
September 20th, 1898.

R. E. Parlan

^{vs.}
James M. Duke
Administrator of the
Estate of Mary A. Holland
deceased, and Josephus
Holland

In Chancery.

To the Honorable Robert R. Trentis,
Judge of the Circuit Court of
the County of Nansemond,

Your Commissioner no notice being re-
ceived from the defendant ^{James M. Duke} ^{Administrator of the Estate of Mary A. Holland deceased} ^{and Josephus Holland} ^{as to when} ^{notice} ^{being accepted by}
is herewith returned ^{James M. Duke} ^{Administrator of the Estate of Mary A. Holland deceased} ^{and Josephus Holland} ^{as to when} ^{notice} ^{being accepted by}
has proceeded at this office in
Suffolk, Va. on the 20th day of Septem-
ber 1898 to perform the duties required by
the decree of the Court in the above
entitled cause entered on the 12th day of
April 1898.

In making the enquiries therein,
directed he took the depositions of James
M. Duke, T. H. Simms, W. H. Holland and
Henry J. Powell, which are herewith
returned, and which your Commissioner

acts shall be made a part of this report.

Your Commissioner begs to report in answer to the first enquiry to-wit, "First, An account of the Transactions of James M. Duke, Administrator of the estate of Mary A Holland, Deceased, showing especially whether he has in hand any funds with which to pay the debts set up in the bill,"

That your Commissioner is the Commissioner of Accounts of the County Court of Newsums County wherein the said administrator qualified, that the account of said administrator's Transactions has been submitted to him as Commissioner of Accounts for audit, that the said account has been audited, though not filed with the Court, because of some irregularities, and that said accounts shows nothing to the credit of the said estate and from this evidence your Commissioner reports that the said administrator has no funds in hand to pay either the debts set up in the bill or any other.

In answer to the second enquiry to-wit: "Secondly, The real estate of which Mary A Holland died seized and possessed

Together with its annual and fee simple values"

That the said Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed of the land mentioned and described in the said bill and nine other; That by reason of continued occupancy by tenants from year to year the land has become impoverished, That the buildings for want of repair are depreciating in value and That the fee simple value will not exceed Four Hundred Dollars while its annual rental value will not exceed Thirty Dollars.

In answer to the third enquiry to-wit:
"Thirdly - The liens thereon together with their amounts, dignities and priorities and whether the same has been sold for delinquent taxes"

That from a diligent search of the records no liens exist against said real estate other than what is mentioned in the bill, and that the same has not been sold for delinquent taxes.

In answer to the fourth enquiry to-wit:
"Fourthly, Whether the said real estate will rent for enough in five years net to pay off and discharge the debts mentioned in the bill"

That the said real estate will not

rent for enough in five years to pay off and discharge the debt mentioned in the bill,

In answer to the fifth enquiry to-wit:-
"Fifthly, Any other facts deemed pertinent by the said Commissioner or which any party in interest shall require to be stated."

That your Commissioner is requested to state that there remains unpaid by the administrator aforesaid a balance due R. M. Baker and Co on account of the burial castles of Mary A. Holland deceased of \$24⁰⁰. Nothing further has been required of him.

Respectfully submitted

John B. Pinner

Commissioner in Chancery

Fee. \$15⁰⁰

The depositions of James M. Duke and others taken before me, John B. Pinner, a Commissioner in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County at Suffolk, Va. on the 20th day of September 1898 between the hours of 3 P.M. and to be read as evidence in a suit in equity depending in the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, Virginia where R.E. Parker is Plaintiff and James M. Duke Administrator of the Estate of Mary A. Holland deceased and Josephus Holland are Defendants.

Present R.H. Rawles Atty for Plaintiff.

The witness, James M. Duke, being duly sworn deposes as follows in answer to questions.

Q. 1. State your name, age, residence, occupation and if you know the parties to this suit.

Ans. James M. Duke, 60 years, Nansemond County, farmer. I do.

Q. 2. Please state if you are acquainted with the farm or tract of land mentioned in the bill of which Mary A. Holland died seised and possessed and if so how long have you known the same.

Ans. I have known the farm a little upwards of 20 years. I have been all over it. I have been over it a great many times.

Q. 3. Can you state anything as to its present condition.

Ans. Well the place has come down and I suppose I don't know it is considerable. James M. Holland in the latter part of his lifetime could not attend to it and his widow Mary A. Holland had to rent out to people and it kept coming down.

Q. 4. Is there much value ^{able} ~~to the~~ timber on the land?

Ans. No sir it has been pretty much all cut off.

Q. 5 Will you please state as to the nature of the soil, whether it is rich and fertile or poor.

Ans It is very poor.

Q. 6. What in your opinion would be a fair ~~tax~~ value for the place.

Ans. I should think four hundred Dollars would be a fair cash value of the place.

Q. 7. What is a fair annual rental value of the place?

Ans. It has rented for \$30 per year but the rent has declined

Q. 8. In what condition are the buildings on the farm?

Ans. Very poor.

And further this deponent saith not.

J. M. Duke

The witness Samuel H. Simons being duly sworn deposes as follows in answer to questions.

Q.1. State your name, age, residence/occupatuon and if you know the parties to this suit.

Ans S.H.Simons, 44 years, Nansemond County, farmer . I do.

Q.2. Please state if you are acquainted with the farm or tract of land mentioned in the bill of which Mary A. Holland died siesed and possessed and if so, how long have you known the same.

Ans. Yes sir I am acquainted with it. I have known the place all my life and for the last 19 years I have not lived over a half a mile from the place.

Q. 3. Can you state anything as to its present condition

Ans. It is in decaying condition, the land is going down, there is no one to look after it and the buildings are all in a decaying condition. The house I mean the dwelling house is very old and it has never been lathed or plastered and the out buildings are also going down.

Q. 4. Can you state what kind of attention and treatment the said farm has received for the last ten years.

Ans. It has been rented out for part of the crop in Mrs Holland's lifetime seven or eight years since her husband's death and th last year for money and the tenants never manured it except for the one year's crop and hence it has been going down.

Q. 5. Will you please state as to the nature of the soil whether it is fertile and whether it is poor.

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Ans. It is poor.

Q. 6. Is there much timber on the land or not?

Ans. No salable timber, nothing more than firewood and rail timber on the place.

Q. 7. What in your opinion would be a ^{fair} cash value for the land.

Ans. About four hundred dollars I reckon.

Q. 8. What is a fair annual rental value of the place?

Ans. It rented for \$30 this year About \$25 or \$30.

And further this deponent saith not.

S. H. Simmons

W. H. Holland, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows;

1 What is your name, age, residence, occupation, and do you know the parties to the suit ?

Ans . W. H. Holland, age 42 years, Nansmond county, farmer, and I know all the parties to the suit .

2 Please state if you are acquainted with the farm or tract of land mentioned in the bill, of which Mary A. Holland died *seize* and possessed, and if so, how long have you known the same ?

Ans . Yes, I know the farm well. I Have known it for several years, and have lived next farm to it, for the last six years,

3 Can you state anything as to its present condition ?

It is in a very bad, or delapidated condition . It has run down much during the last few years and is going down every year.

4 Is ^{there} much valuable timber on the land ?

Ans . No sir / It has all been cut off, pretty much .

5 In what condition are the bulidings on the place ?

Ans. They are in a very poor condition.

6 What is the condition of the soil ?

Ans . It is very poor .

7 What would, in your opinion, be a fair cash value for the place ?

Ans. I think about four hundred dollars, would be a fair price for it .

8 What would be a fair annual rental value for the place ?

Ans . About \$70 : that is what it rented for this year.

And further this deponent saith not .

W. H. Holland

Henry J. POWell, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows :-

1 What is your name, age, residence, occupation, and do you know the parties to the suit ?

Ans . Henry J. Powell, age 59 years, residence Nansemond county, farmer, and I know the parties to the suit .

2 Please state if you are acquainted with the Mary A. Holland farm mentioned in the bill ?

Ans . Yes ; I have been living on a farm that adjoined it for the last three years .

3 Can you state any thing as to its present condition ?

Ans. Yes ; it is in a very poor and run down condition .

4 What kind of soil has it ?

Ans . Very poor ; it ^{needs} much improvement.

5 What kind of timber has it ?

Ans. The timber is all cut off except a few old field pines .

6 What is a fair cash value for the farm ?

Ans . I think \$400 would pay for every thing there .

7 What is a fair rent for it ? Ans . It rented for thirty dollars this year; it might rent for more if it was in a good condition . The buildings are all so poor .

And further this deponent saith not .

Henry J Powell

Virginia, County of Nansemond to-wit:-

I John P. Pinner, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Nansemond County in said State do hereby certify that the foregoing depositions of James M. Duke and T. H. Simms were duly taken sworn to and subscribed before me at the time and place and for the purpose therein mentioned and that with

consent of one the deposition of W. H. Holland and
Henry J. Powell were taken by the counsel for plaintiff
for the purpose mentioned above.

Given under my hand this 20th day of
September 1898.

John D. Turner
Commissioner in Chancery

Witness fees. \$2⁰⁰

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H. } Don Chancery
Dulce }
Admiral }

Report of
Commissioner
John D. Pierson.

Filed Oct 1st
1898. *Albion Clark*

R. E. Parker

vs

James M. Duke, Adm'r of Mary A. Holland deceased, and Josephus Holland.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, as well as upon the report of R. H. Rawles special commissioner, filed on the 18 day of *May* 1879, to which report there ~~was~~ ^{is} no exception, and was argued by counsel .

On consideration whereof, the court doth confirm the said report ; and it appearing to the court that the special commissioner has collected from the purchaser James L. Horton, the whole of the purchase money for the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, and which he had heretofore sold under a former decree of this court; that he has made to the said purchaser a deed for the said land, with the usual covenants of title ; that he has paid all the ~~costs~~ and expenses of said suit and sale, and all the debts and judgments against the ~~estate~~ estate of the said Mary A. Holland deceased, as reported in this cause ; and that he has paid the balance of the purchase money to Josephus Holland the only heir at law of the said Mary A. Holland (as well as the only heir at law of her husband James M. Holland deceased); and it appearing that nothing further remains to be done in this cause it is ordered that the same be stricken from the docket .

Final Decree

Entered
Oct. 10, 1899
Robert R. Harris

Entered in Chancery
Order Book No. 3
Page 225.

To the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss, Judge of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County ;

Humbly complaining, sheweth unto your Honor, your orator R. E. Parker, of Nansemond county, the following case;

That some time in the month of *August* 1897 Mary A. Holland of the said county departed this life, and James M. Duke was duly appointed, gave bond, and qualified as the administrator of her estate at the *September* term of the county court of said county, which will more fully appear from a copy of said appointment herewith filed marked Exhibit "A," and prayed to be read as a part of this bill. That at the time of her death she was seized and possessed of a certain tract of land in Chuckatuck District in said county, and State containing 150 acres more or less and bounded as follows; on the North by the run of the swamp; on the East by the land of Sarah Pruden; on the South by the land of W. B. Whitehead and the land of the Upper Parish Poor house; and on the West by the land of the said Parish; which said land was conveyed to Dixon H. Holland as trustee for the said Mary A. Holland by deed dated the 29th day of January 1874, power being given her, the said Mary A. Holland by said deed, to dispose of the same by will, as will more fully appear from the said deed, herewith filed, marked Exhibit "B" and ~~and~~ prayed to be taken as a part of this bill. And your orator further says that previous to the death of the said Mary A. Holland to wit, on the 4th day of July 1896, the said Mary A. Holland made her last will and testament which was duly proven after her death, and admitted to probate in the county court of the said county, at the September term thereof 1897; by which said will she devised all her said land (except a small tract which she had sold off to J. L. Fulgham) to her husband James M. Holland of A. all of which appears from a copy of said will herewith filed, marked Exhibit "C", and prayed to be read as a part of this bill. That the devisee James M. Holland of A after the making of the said will departed this life intestate, before the testator died, leaving as his only issue, and heir at law his son (and her son) Josephus Holland, who is still living, and who your orator is informed, and believes, and therefore charges, became the owner of the said real estate, in accordance with the provisions of section 2523 of the code of Virginia 1887.

And your orator further says that at the time of the death of the said

Mary A. Holland she was indebted to him in the sum of \$99 which was a balance due him for medical services rendered her in her last illness ; that for this amount he has obtained a judgement against the said James M. Duke administrator of the said Mary A. Holland's estate and had the same docketed ; that the same was obtained before A. S. Eley a justice of the peace of the said county on the 24th day of January 1898, and on the said judgement a fieri facias was issued to John J. S. Branch, a constable of the said county, which was on the return day thereof, duly returned with the following endorsement there on to wit ; " I can find no property to satisfy the within execution or any part thereof . J. J. S. Branch, Constable " . Now your orator is informed and believes, and therefore charges, that the said administrator has nothing in hand with which to pay the said judgement or any part thereof, and that the said judgement nor any part thereof has been paid ; all of which will appear from a copy of the said judgement and return herewith filed marked Exhibit "D" and prayed to be read as a part of this bill .

Your orator is further informed, and believes and therefore charges, that the said judgement is a lien on the said real estate of which the said Mary A. Holland died seized and possessed ; or at least that the said real estate is bound for the payment of the said judgement, as well as for all other just debts which the said Mary A. Holland may justly owe ; and he further says that in fact there are other judgements rendered and docketed against the said administrator James M. Duke for which the said real estate is also bound to-wit one for the sum of \$36, in favor of Mary C. Norfleet, and one for \$75 in favor of Henry W. Holland ; on which similar executions have been issued, and similar returns made, as will appear from copies of same herewith filed marked exhibits "E" & "F" respectively . Now your orator says that the said real estate will not rent for enough in five years to pay these liens, and he therefore prays that the same may be sold and the proceeds applied in paying his judgement and such other debts as the court may think proper to be paid out of said proceeds . In tender consideration whereof and forasmuch as your orator is remediless in the premises save by the aid of a court of equity where such matters are alone and properly cognizable, your orator prays that the said Josephus Holland and James M. Duke administrator of the estate Of Mary A. Holland deceased may be made parties defendant to this suit

and required to answer the same, though an answer under oath is hereby waived ;
; that proper process may issue ; that all proper accounts may be taken ;
and that the said real estate, of which Mary A. Holland died seized and
possessed, may be sold to pay your orators judgement, and such other debts
as it may be legally liable for ; and for all such other, and further and
general relief as his case may require, or which to equity may ~~seem~~ meet, and
and your orator will ever pray & .

R. E. Parker

Virginia ; Nansemond County to-wit;

I, R.H. Rawles a Notary Public for the
county aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that R. E. Parker
whose name is signed to the above bill has this day appeared personally
before me in my said county and made oath that all the facts stated in
the above bill as coming of his own knowledge are true ; and all such
other facts stated as derived from knowledge or information derived from
others he believes to be true . Given under my hand this ~~4th~~ day of

February

1898.

R. H. Rawles

Notary Public

Bill.

R^d E Parker
Vt In Chancery
Josephus Holland v et al
Chancery Notes

1898 Jan'y 28th. Process issued returnable to
Feb'y rules 1st Monday.

" " " Order of Publication vs non
resident Josephus Holland.

" Feb'y 7th Process returned executed on
resident defendant

Bill filed and decree nisi
against home defendant.

" March 21st. Decree nisi vs home de-
fendant Confirmed & cause
Set ~~as to~~ for hearing also Cause
Set for hearing on order of
Publication.

Parker
vs John Chaucy
J M Duke Admr.
others
Chaucy notes

written by Duke Admr.

R. A. Raoules Jr. q

R. E. Parker

of In Chancery

J. M. Duke & Admr
of M. A. Holland decd.

1899 Octo 10th
Final Decree

R. A. Raoules Jr.

Costs
Gomulck 70613
Smut 17570
Shff .5070
Tax 15070
Atty 1500

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