

Benja Lamb
Joseph & Joyner
Theodore Joyner

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 12th day of October 1842.
The Last Will and Testament of Bailey Bryant Esq^r was proved by the oaths of
Joyner & Theodore Joyner two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be
and on the motion of James D Bryant one of the Executors therein named who made oath
& together with John M Gurley Lewis Horrell and B. Devany his securities entered into
acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Ten thousand dollars conditioned as the Law
certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat of Said Will in due form Jacob Bryant
the other Executor therein named appeared in Court & refused to take upon himself any part
of the burthen of the execution of the Said Will

Teste L.R. Edwards Esq

Wells Mursie
Will

Being blessed by Almighty god with a sound mind and disposing memory I do hereby make constitute
and appoint this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following. That is to say
First I give and devise to my daughter Martha Matilda Crompton my house and lot in the town of
Monroe, Second Choice of my beds with bed & furniture and two Negroes, Dary and his wife. Part thereof
their increase to her and her heirs forever.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my brother Simon Mursie and my friends Carr Bowers & James D
Waggonburg Two thousand two hundred dollars to be held in trust by them and paid out in the purchase of
of land in the County of Southampton so soon as it can be judiciously done by them or a majority of them
passing a deed to be executed conveying said tract of land to my daughter Martha Matilda Crompton
for and during her life and after her death to such of her children as may be then living and the issue of them
as may have died during the life time of their mother said issue taking only such share or shares as would
have fallen to the deceased children had they survived their mother and in the event my said daughter
should have no such child or children or their issue conveying said tract of land to my daughter Louisa
Lorisa Fitzgerald during her life and after her death to her children and the issue of such of her children
as may be deceased in the same manner as above directed

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda Louisa Fitzgerald Barret my negro man
Sam & woman Abby with the increase of said Abby and first choice of my beds with bed & furniture
to her and her heirs forever I leave to my said daughter during her life my watch and after her death
I give the same to her eldest son then living and in the event of there being no son to the said daughter
then and should my said daughter Amanda have no child then I give said watch to my daughter Martha
Matilda Crompton during her life and at her death I give the same to her eldest son and if she have no son
then to her eldest daughter

Fourthly I leave to my daughter Amanda Louisa Fitzgerald Barret the tract of land above
I now live, consisting of several parcels purchased at different times and held under different
deeds, during her life and after her death I give said tract of land to such of her children as
may be then living and the issue of such children as may have died during the life time of the
mother said issue taking only such share or shares as would have fallen to their deceased
parent or parents had they survived their mother and should my said daughter Amanda
Louisa Fitzgerald Barret die without leaving any child or the issue of any deceased child then
I leave said tract of land to my daughter Martha Matilda Crompton during her life &
after her death I give the same to her children then living and the issue of such of her children