

and the proceeds go to the support and education of my children and then sell the said negro.

Item 4. I leave my wife one third in value of all my other slaves during her life.

Item 5. All my other estate, I give to be equally divided between my children. I do hereby appoint my brother, Edward P. Bailey Executor of this my last will and testament. Signed and acknowledged this 30th day of April 1860, in the presence of

James E. Peters.

E. C. Bailey.

Robt. Howland

At a Court held for the County of Southampton, July 16th 1860

This last Will and Testament of Edmund C. Bailey, dec'd was proved by the Oaths of James E. Peters and Robt. Howland, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Teste

L. R. Edwards, C. C.

J. S. Davis

In the name of God Amen: I, James Thomas Davis of the County of Southampton, State of Virginia, being in good health & of sound mind, do make this my last Will & Testament revoking all others heretofore made by me as to the disposition of my body & effects accruing to me by inheritance or otherwise, to wit;

Item 1st I desire that my body be decently interred in my family grave yard at the feet of my father & mother & that a simple marble slab be placed over me with the date of birth, death & age inscribed thereon - & also one be placed over my father & mother with like inscription.

Item 2nd. I desire that my just debts be paid with legal interest thereon.

Item 3rd. I hereby manumit & set free all my negroes of whatever age, sex or condition, & give them their freedom & to their heirs forever.

Item 4th. As soon after my death as my Executors hereafter to be named & appointed by this writing shall determine that all my perishable & chattel estate, with my grist Mill & all my lands be sold upon such a credit as will be most conducive to the interest of my estate & after the payment of my just debts the balance of the money be equally divided among my negroes & they be sent to some free State or Country where they may enjoy their freedom forever.

Item 5th. Upon the day of Sale mentioned in the foregoing Item I desire that all my negroes be hired out privately to good masters annually until the estate can be properly settled & the money arising from such hires be appropriated as set forth above - to my negroes & their heirs forever. I would suggest to my Executors hereafter to be named & appointed by this writing that a notice of my Sale & the hire of my negroes be advertised in suitable places & published in at least one respectable Newspaper in Petersburg. And also, should my death take place at any time after the crop is planted, I desire that it be cultivated & Sale postponed or delayed until as near Christmas as possible.

Item 6th. I desire that whatever else may be found as a part or parcel of my estate, be disposed of as has been done in the above items, except whatever interest may be derived from a suit now pending in the Circuit Court of Prince George County, Virginia, for money bequeathed by the late Daniel B. Finner of said County, for the education of the poor children of the members of Gray's Church in which Mrs. W. Gurley is plaintiff & D. B. Finner's Executors are defendants.