

	To paid Mansfield Hines for keeping expensive negroes Mary & 3 children	10 00	
	To paid Mansfield Hines also	2 00	
Decr 25	By hire of negroes this year		180 00
	To Commissions on Same	9 00	
1861 Feb 28	By Eight months Interest on \$1605		64 20
	To Commissioners fee for this accts and Copy retained	5 00	
	To Clerks fee for recording this accts	1 50	
	To Clerks fee for recording accts sales land.	65	
	Balance due Estate	1664 20	
	By balance due brought down		1849 20
	By Interest on Same (6 months)		1664 20
	Amount of Principal & Int. Carried over		1 9 92
1861			1714 12
Feb 28	Amount of Principal & Int. Carried over		1714 12
	Balance due the Estate with Interest on \$1664.20. part thereof from this date		1714 12
	Respectfully Submitted		

Mr H. Preston Esqr.

Southampton County On the Clerk's Office the 18th day of November 1861.

This account of Henry M Butts' Executorial Proceedings on the Estate of Henry P Briggs dec'd was returned and filed for exceptions. And at a Court held for the said County on the 20th day of January 1862 the said account having lain one month and upwards in the Clerk's Office and there being no exceptions thereto now examined, confirmed and ordered to be recorded -

Tested

L R Edwards Esq

I Robert Hart of the County of Southampton do on this 13th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, make, constitute, appoint this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows -

First. I give to my wife Charity Hart, one dollar per day for and during her natural life, and twenty dollars to pay her burying and funeral expenses, all of which is to be paid out of my estate by my Executors, one feather bed and furniture and one Chest.

Second. I give to my grand-daughter Mary Louisa Hart all my land and plantation whereon I now live, lying on the South side of a line of marked trees leading from William Beales line to Thomas Drury's - Two thousand dollars in money, two negroes, Henry and Rachal, and their future increase, one feather bed and furniture (the bed that was made by her mother). my negro man Dawson having served me faithfully my desire is my executors sell him to Wilborn Stephenson, as he owns his wife, for any price that Allen Edwards, Alfred T. Stephenson, Thomas J. Brister may think a fair neighbourhood price, but if the said Wilborn Stephenson should refuse to buy the said negro Dawson, I give him the said negro Dawson to my grand daughter Mary Louisa Hart, but if the said Wilborn Stephenson should buy the said negro, I give to my grand daughter Mary Louisa Hart the amount of money for which he may sell, and one chest and clothes therein contained. My desire is that my negro woman Matilda have the liberty of selecting her own Master or Mistress, as the case may be, and I authorize my executors to sell the said negro to such person to whom she may select for fifty dollars less than Allen Edwards, Alfred T. Stephenson, Thomas J. Brister may think to be her fair value in the neighbourhood.

Third. I lend to my daughter Silvy Johnson all of my land and plantation called the Bailey place all on the North side of the line above mentioned, for and during her natural life, but no timber is to be cut off the said land during the time of the loan only for the use of the plantation. At the death of my daughter Silvy Johnson I give all my land lent to her to my grand-daughter Sarah Johnson