

my will. I desire that portion of my land remaining after the allotment of her dower, to be rented out until her decease, and then for the entire tract to be sold in a body, and the proceeds to be equally divided between my surviving children. I hereby authorize my Executors to remove my negroes to Virginia for the purpose of being hired out. I hereby constitute my friends E. P. Turner and G. H. Musgrave executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 30th of August 1859.

Johnson D. Blount, Carr^{his} Holland

M. J. Peto

Witness } M. F. Blunt, William A. Joyner
M. J. Reese

January 18th 1861 I Mark J. Peto submit the following as a Codicil to this my last will and Testament. I hereby authorize my executors to bid for the negroes when sold in which I have an interest now in possession of Mr. Charlotte Bryant and if in their opinion the prices will justify it, to buy them, to be held and disposed of in common with other negro property whereof I may be possessed - Given under my hand year and day above written.

William A. Joyner

Carr^{his} Holland

Martha J. Reese.

North Carolina
Northampton County }

M. J. Peto

I Isaac Pule Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County and State, do hereby certify that the foregoing transcript is a true copy of the record in regard to the probate of the last will and Testament of Mark J. Peto deceased, and the granting of letters of administration with the will annexed upon said estate.

In Witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my office at Jackson the 8th day of March A. D. 1861

Seal

Isaac Pule

North Carolina
Northampton County }

I William Barron Chairman of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for said County and State, do hereby certify that Isaac Pule whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate, is and was, at the time of signing the same, Clerk of said Court, duly elected and qualified, and that full faith and credit are due to all his attestations as such.

Given under my hand and private seal (having no seal of office) at Jackson, March the 8th 1861.

William Barron Chm.

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 15th day of September 1862
An authenticated copy of the last Will and Testament of Mark J. Peto dec^d and the certificate of probate thereof in the Court of Northampton County North Carolina was this day presented to the Court and ordered to be recorded. and E. P. Turner and G. H. Musgrave the Executors therein named refused to take upon themselves the burden of the execution on the motion of Richmond F. Dillard and Charles L. Cooke who made oath and together with Richard E. Thornton and James H. Munger his decedent entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Ten thousand dollars, conditioned according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining letters of administration on the Estate of the said Mark J. Peto dec^d in due form.

Peto

J. R. Edwards