

It will ever do me any more good as I dont ever expect to live to see the war end but I want it to do you and your children some good if I get killed or die in the Service I want it to be yours as long as you live and then to your children if I cant have my way with it Sister as soon as you hear of my death go to Miss. Edg's and demand my trunk and the key of it. I expect that Cousin Emma has the key but she will give it up to you. E. Massenburg wrote me some time ago that he was ready to settle with me and wanted to know what he should do with the money. I told him to put it on Interest and put the bonds in Cousin Emmas hands to keep and she put them in my new trunk. I have a good bed a Tin Safe and a pair of Cast wheels at the widows. I dont want her to have anything that belongs to me, she has got enough I think Sister. I had two notes in Father's hands when he died that I have not heard from, one was against Maj. Edwards of Jerusalem and the other against Mr. Parker for Pork sold them at the Lawrence place last year. I dont know what Massenburg done with them. also a hundred dollars that I sent home when I was at Camp Cook, Sister I have in the hands of Mr. W. W. Edwards of Isle of W. Papers and money to the amt of two hundred and eighty four dollars to keep for me. I have his receipt of which I will send you then you will have something to show for it. My Watch I dont want sold I want James to have it, I would be very glad to come home and see how things are working but I cant, I dont ever expect to come again but you must do the best you can and pray for better times. Give my love to all my Sisters and friends, please write again soon and give me all the news from Old Southampton if I cant come I am glad to hear from there at anytime. Give my love to Cousin Wm^r and family, nothing more at present. I remain your ever true and faithful brother. excuse bad writing }
for I am in a hurry } J. W. Wills

As a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 21st day of August 1866. This writing bearing date 10th of August 1863. purporting to be the last Will and Testament of James W. Wills, was this day again produced in Court, by William P. Mone and Virginia his wife in order to be proved. and Edwin C. Wills & Edwin Parker appeared and opposed the proof of the said Will. Whereupon divers Witnesses were sworn and examined and the parties by their Counsel fully heard. On consideration whereof, it is the Opinion of the Court that the testator at the time of executing the writing aforesaid was of sound mind