

without a lawful begotten heir the plantation which I have bequeathed unto him are to be equally divided between my two daughters Elizabeth and Sally b. Marples.

I, Thomas Marples do give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Marples one negro man named Ben one hundred dollars in feather bed and furniture his bed and clothes to her and her heirs forever.

I, Thomas Marples do give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally b. Marples the sum of Two hundred dollars also one feather bed and furniture his bed and clothes to her and her heirs forever.

I, Thomas Marples do give and bequeath unto my daughter in Law Sally b. Marples the sum of fifty dollars to her and her heirs forever.

I, Thomas Marples do give and bequeath that my sister in Law Sally b. Marples and my two daughters Elizabeth and Sally b. Marples shall have the liberty of being in the house which I bequeath unto my son Stephen Marples until they marry or choose some other house and at Compensation to him I give and bequeath unto him the Stock of all kinds that I have not disposed of except one bay Horse which is my despatch the other Horse and the negro woman Fanny to remain on the plantation which I have given my son Stephen for the benefit of him and my two daughters Elizabeth and Sally b. Marples. I also give unto my Son Stephen Marples my farm my interests also the balance of my house hold and Kitchen furniture which I have not disposed of to him and his heirs forever.

I, Thomas Marples do give and bequeath that the money the hand and what is due to me after my just debts are paid and the legacies above mentioned are discharged the balances are to be equally divided between my two daughters Elizabeth and Sally b. Marples and my son Stephen Marples to also appoint my trusty friend Benjamin Turner and my son Russell Marples Executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have signed to set my hand and affix my seal this 6th day of October 1824. Signed date and

Thomas Marples
his
mark

Witnessed by

Stephen Marples

Seth Marples

Samuel Marples

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 15th November 1824. The last will and Testament of Thomas Marples was proved by the oaths of Stephen Marples and Seth Marples two of the subscribers thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the motion of Russell Marples one of the Executors thereon named who made such according to law and in together with Benjamin and James and Thomas Marples his executors entreated and actum troys a line in the body of his thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs Certificate is granted the said Russell Marples after first obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste S. Marples Oct 6th

Witnessed by John Ferguson Esq. of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia being of sound and perfect mind and memory therefore be it us and calling to mind the uncertainty of this his said 16th day of October 1824 make and ordain that my last will and testament in manner and terms following that is to say first It is my will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate Secondly It is my will and desire of them is not enough of my personal effects to pay my debts and agreeable that I shall hereafter give away for my debts to be sold by my Executors to raise the money Thirdly I give and bequeath unto Edith b. fifty dollars to her and her heirs and assigns forever Fourthly I give and bequeath unto John Vaughan fifty Dollars to him and his heirs forever Fifthly I give and bequeath unto Lydia Darden fifty dollars to him and his heirs forever Sixthly I give and bequeath unto Rhoda Ely all the remainder of my estate of every kind and nature not before given away to her and her heirs and assigns forever. Lastly I nominate and appoint my executors James Robert Anderson and Frederick Bell Executors to this my last will and Testament hereby nothing elsehere written by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Ferguson do sign and seal my last will and Testament set my hand and seal the day above written and take and certify impressions of me.

J. Ferguson James J. Gardiner
Seth Marples
Signed and sealed
this 6th day of October 1824

J. Ferguson
J. Gardiner
Seth Marples