Almighty God that the aforegoing is the true and whole last will and testament of Lott Mason, late of Charles County deceased, that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other.-

Test, Wm. D. Merrick, Regr. of Wills.-

Charles County Set: March 8th 1831- Then came Francis E. Dunnington John J. Lagland, and Jeremiah Posey the three subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing last will and testament of Lott Mason deceased, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named, Sign and seal this will, that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding, and that they respectively subscribed their names as witnesses thereto in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.-

Test, Wm. D. Merrick, Regr. of Wills for Charles County.-

State of Maryland, Charles County Set. I hereby certify that the aforegoing instrument of writing is truly copied from one of the Records of the Orphans Court for Charles County.-

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court this twenty fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two.- (Seal)

Test, Aquila Bateman, Regr. of Wills for Charles County.-

In the name of God Amen- I William Budd, of Charles County in the State of Maryland, being sick and weak of body but of sound mind memory and understanding and being desirous to settle my wordly affairs, and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make and publish this and none other to be my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say- First and principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God through Jesus Christ my Saviour, and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named. Item- I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Artemacia Budd, all my estate, both real and personal during her life, and further I will devise and bequeath that my said wife at her death is to be at liberty to will and divise as she my think proper all the negroes and their increase that came by her with the plantation whereon my uncle Lott Mason lived and died together with all the stock of different kinds, and all the household and kitchen furniture left by me that may be in her possession with the crops on hand to her and her assigns.-

Item, after the death of my said wife I give devise and bequeath to William F. Burgess the plantation whereon I now live called and known by the name of Stonesuch with the lands attached thereto also the Tract of land called the Law Grounds and one other tract or parcel of land called Stong Hill, to him, his heirs and assigns- Item- After my said wifes death as aforesaid I give devise and bequeath to Ann Burgess my negro man Slave

called and known by the name of Bill Dawson to her and her assigns.-

Item. I give devise and bequeath to my brother John Budd's children namely William John and Sarah Ann, at or after the death of my said wife all my negroes not herein before named, to be equally divided between them or their heirs, and in case the title to the Land willed to William F. Burgess should prove a valid one, I give devise and bequeath to the aforesaid William Budd, John Budd, and Sarah Ann Budd, the sum of three thousand dollars to be equally divided between them or their heirs but should the title to the Land as aforesaid bequeathed and given to William F. Burgess called Stonesuch and to Land attached thereto constituting the Ferry Plantation prove not valid the above Legacy of three thousand dollars is not given to the said William John and Sarah Ann Budd as aforesaid.-

And Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Artemacia Budd, and my friend William F. Burgess sole Executors of this my last will and testament, ratifying and confirming the same to be my last will, and revoking all others by me heretofore made, as witness my hand and seal this first day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty.-

Signed sealed and declared by the testator to be his Last Will and Testament in our presence, who at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto in the presence of each other.- J. F. Price, Richard B. Posey, J. R. Evans.- William Budd (Seal)

Annexed to the aforegoing will it is thus written.-

Charles County Set. June 24th 1840- Then came William F. Burgess Executor of William Budd, decd. and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that the aforegoing instrument of writing is the true and whole last will and testament of said deceased that hath come to his hands and possession.-

Test, Aquilla Bateman, Regr. of Wills.-

Charles County Set. June 24th 1840- Then came John F. Price and John R. Evans, two of the subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing last will and testament of William Budd, deceased, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that they did see the testator therein named sign and seal this will that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they together with Richard B. Posey respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence and at the request of the testator and in the presence of each other.-

Test, Aquilla Bateman, Regr. of Wills.-

That the said defendant claims title to the lands in dispute through and under said Richard Brooke, and that the said point block A is one of the corners of the land known and reputed as Stonesuch- The defendant objected to all which evidence for the purpose offered, and prayed the Court to reject the same, But the Court overruled said objections and allowed the plaintiff to