Man Joseph now in his possession.

I give and devise to my son James Hooper and his Heirs forever all the real and residue of my Lands lying on Taylors Island in Dorchester County not therein devised to my son John P. Hooper reserving to my son John the privilege of pasturing as herein before mentioned.

Also give to my son James my negro Boy Joe and all Crops of the Island he appropriates. Also give to my son John P. Hooper the sum of One thousand dollars interest to arise the same for the support and maintenance of his two sons Jeremiah P. Hooper and James B. Hooper in equal shares the same dividends to be paid to said Jeremiah and James at the discretion of their Father or to be withheld from them altogether as the said Father may choose.

Also give from the said John all the Medical and other Books of my deceased son Jeremiah in trust to hand the same to my son grandson Jeremiah when he the said John shall choose so to do and not before.

I give and devise to my grandson John P. Hooper the sum of Seven hundred dollars. I give and devise to my grandson Henry Hooper the sum of Five hundred dollars. I give and bequeath to Samuel Hooper son of my son John P. Hooper Five Hundred dollars. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Elizabeth T. Sheppard wife of Caleb Sheppard my negro girl named Peggy and also the Children she now bears or may hereafter bear.

Also give and bequeath to my sons John and James and to the survivor of them, the Executors and administrators of such survivor the sum of three thousand dollars to be by them invested in some safe and productive Stock or on Mortgage or ground rent to be by them held in trust for the sole and separate use of my granddaughter Elizabeth T. Patterson free from the debts controuls or engagements of her present or any future husband to pay the interest or income arising from such investment to said Elizabeth during her life and at her death to divide the principal equally among the Children (if she die without leaving a child or children at her death or descendant of a child then the principal sums to be split into and become part of the residue of my Estate) Also give to my said grand daughter absolutely my Negro Woman Louisa and her issue.

Also give and bequeath to my great grandson James H. Carter five hundred dollars & to my grand daughter Mary Prisard my Negro Jane and her issue and two hundred and fifty dollars.

To Nurse Milly Walker who resided with us as a house keeper for many years past and has served us faithfully I give seventy five dollars.

Item If My Negro Woman Leah having been a faithful servant I hereby set free and give her twenty five dollars.

All the rest residue and remainder of my Estate I devise shall be divided into three equal parts, one part to be given to my son John P. Hooper one part to my son James Hooper and the remaining third part to Jeremiah T. Patterson his Executors administrators and assigns to be by them invested in safe and productive Stocks Bonds Mortgages or other good securities and to pay the interest thereof for the Education of his present children during their Minority and when the youngest living child

shall arrive at age then to divide the principal among his children who shall be living at that time.

I appoint my sons John P. and James Hooper Executors of this my last Will.

In Witness whereof I hereto set my hand and seal this 25 day of November 1851.

James Hooper (Seal)

Signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the above named testator as and for his last Will and testament in presence of us who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereto set our names as Witnesses

Asa Needham
John M. Green
Thos Trueree

Baltimore City ss. On the 8 day of January 1852 came Asa Needham John M. Green and Thomas Trueree the three subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing last Will and testament of James Hooper late of said City deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the testator sign and seal that Will that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and testament that at the time of so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other.

Samuel Lefevre Chesnutt Register
N. Hollyman
of Wills for Baltimore City.

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true Copy taken from Wills Liber D. M. P. No 24 folio 468 &c being one of the Records in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore City.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and affix the Seal of my Office this 19 day of December in the year of our Lord 1859.

Seal

Test Isaac P. Lotts
Regr of Wills for Baltimore City

And afterwards to wit on the 22d day of January in the year 1860. the Circuit Court have passed and entered on the last aforegoing Petition an order in the words and figures following to wit.

Ordered by the Circuit Court for Cecil County in Chancery this 22d day of January 1860 at the petitioner's costs leave to amend his Bill as above prayed.

John H. Price

And afterwards to wit on the 3rd day of March in the year last aforesaid Commissions issued out of the Circuit Court held in the words and figures and of the tenor following to wit.

The State of Maryland To James S. Crawford and Frances A. Ellis Esquires Commissioners in Chancery for Cecil County to take testimony & reporting.

Be it known that you are appointed Commissioners to examine witnesses in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Cecil County in Equity between James Hooper and others Complainants and William