James Williams

(- 11 Dec 1850)

Williams. On the 11th instant, Mr. James Williams, late mail contractor of this city, in the 57th year of his age. His friends and acquaintances and the friends of the family are requested to attend his funeral on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence, corner of 5th and H streets.

Will of James Williams, of Washington City, D.C. (dtd. March 21, 1850, probated Dec. 21, 1850; Book 6, pp. 353-359; O.S. 3134; Box 21)

To son William Francis Williams, my lot in Georgetown, known as Lot 46 in Thomas Beall of George's first addition to Georgetown, on the south side of Beall St., with 3-story brick house thereon.

To son James Alexander Williams, Lot 23 in Square 517, in City of Washington, with improvements and apputernances (which I have conveyed to him in fee simple); also a gift I made to him of all my stages and horses with the appurtenances; to him Lot 9 in Square 558, fronting New Jersey Ave.; the south house of three brick houses on Lots 24 and 25 in Square 517, in City, with ground.

To son Thomas Walter Williams, Lot 16 in Square 374, in City of Washington, with improvements and appurtenances, parts of Lots 11, 12 and 13 in Square 455, in City, with improvements and appurtenances, as Lots 11-12 were conveyed on June 13, 1838 by Clement Cox, trustee, to James A. Williams and Thomas W. Williams in fee simple, but confidently held in trust for me; Lot 13 was conveyed on Feb. 24, 1838 by Thomas Bates to James A. Williams in fee simple, but confidently held by them in trust for me; also silver watch and gold chain.

To son Andrew Jackson Williams, the north two houses of three brick houses on Lots 24 and 25, in Square 517, in City, with ground.

To wife Sarah B. Williams, and to such child or children as she now has, or may hereafter have by me, Lots 19, 20, and 22 in Square 486, in City, with improvements and appurtenances.

Exrs. To sell Lot 25 in reservation number 11 in City of Washington with improvements thereon erected, and apply proceeds to debts excepting \$500 to be invested in Corporation stock, for use of granddaughter Elizabeth Virginia Sweeny when she attains age of 21 years.

Free servant man James Brown, upon his paying son James Alexander Williams, \$200 or serving him 2 years after decease.

Exrs.: William B. Todd, friend; Isaac H. Wailes, friend, both of City of Washington

Wits.: Thomas MacGill; William B. Sasscer; Henry Naylor

Codicil, no date; has made two deeds of July 29, 1833, for benefit of three sons: James Alexander Williams, William Francis Williams, and Andrew Jackson Williams, all real estate possessed on that date; but in 1837, conveyed all property to Montgomery King, of Georgetown, intending to revoke trusts for three sons; since then I have married a second time and have by my present wife two children who are now living. I had well hoped that my sons would not have interfered any claim under the said deeds of trust; to wife Sarah B. Williams, and my two infant daughters Mary Elizabeth Wailes Williams and Margaret Ellen Williams as tenants in common, my brick house standing on part of Lot 24 in Square 517, in City, with appurtenances, enclosed by the fence as it now stands; also No. 25 in Reservation No. 11, in said City, which two pieces of ground now stand in the name of my son James Alexander Williams, and for which I hold his two several bonds of conveyance, and I hereby direct that he shall make conveyances thereof according to this devise; Lots 21 and 22 in Square 486 in said City for which I hold the bond of conveyance of James C. Hall; servant James Brown to wife; William B. Todd to receive all items given to him in trust; if sons do not consent, then codicil will be will.

Wits.: Samuel Wroe; Thomas W. Birch; Joseph H. Bradley