

State of Georgia } In the County of Coffee
Coffee County } I arrived Nathan
State and County being of advanced
age but of sound and disposing
Mind and Memory Knowing that
I must shortly depart this life
acquit it right and proper both as
respects My family and Myself that
I should make a disposition of the
property with which a bountiful providen-
ce had blessed me & as therefore
make this My last Will and
testament hereby revoking and
annulling all others by me hereto-
fore made.

First I desire and direct that My
body be buried in a decent and
Christian like Manner suitable to
My Condition and Condition in
life. My body and estate I shall return
to rest with God Who gave it as
I hope for salvation through the
merits and atonement of the
blessed Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ. Secondly I desire and
direct that all of My just debts be
paid by My Executor herein after
named and appointed. Thirdly
It is My desire that one fourth
of My Property known as Mine be
the distributed share of My beloved
Wife Elizer to be hold and use as
her own during of her life and then
be divided equally between her
Children. Fourthly I Give and
bequeath and devise to My son
Thomas one fourth of all of My
property being equal with
Mother to be his and to hold
and dispose of at Will by him
Fifthly I Give bequeath

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devise to my daughter Frances
Fupell, one fourth of all of my
property being equal with his
mother and brother to be own
and held by her during her
life and to be at her death devi-
-ced between the heirs of her body
if there be no heirs at the time of
her death said property to
revert back to the nearest of
kin.

Sixthly I Give bequeath and
decide to my three Grand
Children Mary John and
Thomas McGovern the re-
-aining fourth of all of my
property to be held and
kept for their benefit by my
son Thomas as Guardian and
Given off to each one and on
his distribution as they become
of age. Seventhly I hereby
Constitute and appoint my son
Thomas McGovern Executor of
this my last Will and
Testament this July the 16th
1874.

Mathew ^{his} McGovern ^(S)
mark

Signed Sealed and published
by Mathew McGovern as his
last Will and Testament in
the presents of us the under-
-signed who subscribed our
names hereto in the presents
of said Testator at his special
instance and request and in
the presence of each other this
July the 16th 1874.

Bryant Rickerson
Allen Carver

A. A. Day
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State of Georgia } Before me Timothy
Coffee County } Fupell ordinary of
said County came in
open Court Allen Carver A. A. Day
and Bryant Rickerson who being
duly sworn depose and say that
they saw Mathew McGovern sign
seal publish and declare the within
as his last Will and Testament.
Voluntary and without Compulsion
or fraud or duress and of sound and
disposing mind and that they
Witnessed the same for him at his
Request and in his presence and
of each other and the same was
Executed voluntarily by him on the
day it purports to have been
Executed.
Sworn to and Subscribed
before me in open
Court Sept 7th 1874

A. A. Day
Timothy Fupell, only
Allen Carver
Bryant Rickerson