

State of Georgia In the name of God amen. I, James D. Howell
Early County of said State and County being in full health, but
 of sound and disposing mind and memory, desiring
 that it is appointed for all men to die, I deem it right and proper both
 as it respects myself and family that I should make a disposition of the
 property with which a kind Providence has blessed me, and do hereby
 make this my last will and testament.

First I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and
 Christian like manner, suitable to my circumstances and condi-
 tion in life, my soul I trust shall return to God, and gave it
 up to be for salvation through the mercy and blood of his
 son Jesus our Saviour Amen

Secondly I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without
 delay by my Executor hereafter named and appointed,

Thirdly I give, bequeath and ~~devise~~ devise to my beloved wife Mary
 Howell my negro man James also my negro woman that
 she should live my natural life, I also give and bequeath
 to my dear, beloved wife all my real and personal Estate
 during her natural life, and after her death I will my real and per-
 sonal Estate to my dear, beloved children my dear, beloved
 children, Samuel Jr and Julia T.

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Fourthly I give to my dear, beloved son Samuel D. at the death
 of his mother my negro man James about twenty
 years of age,

Fifthly I give to my dear, beloved daughter Julia if my neg-
 ro girl Martha about thirteen years of age at her death
 or her mother,

Sixthly I give to my dear, beloved son in law, my
 sister-in-law and my double daughter-in-law,

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend Capt. M. D.
 Howell of Milton Co. Executor of this my last will and
 testament. This 26th day of Feb. 1864 J. D. Howell

Signed, Sealed, declared & published by James D. Howell as his last
 will and testament in the presence of us the undersigned, who are
 of our names here, in the presence of said testator at his special
 instance and request, & in the presence of each other

This 26th day of Feb. 1864
 C. J. Howell
 Rebecca Bigfield
 Robt O. Dunlap

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Georgia } In person appeared before me Robt. Q.
Early County } Dunlap, One of the subscribing Witnesses
to the foregoing last Will and Testament
of E. D. Howell, who on oath swears that he saw the said
Howell, sign seal & declare this to be his last Will and
Testament, that he was of sound mind and disposing
memory at the time, and that he the said Dunlap signed
the same as Witness at the request of Testator, and that
he saw the other two Witnesses do so likewise,
Sworn to before me this Novr 26th 1864,
Wm. Alexander J. C. R. Q. Dunlap

Received of Henry C. Brown
the 7th 1864 Cash \$10.00

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I have been thinking of you very much lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you very much lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

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as his last Will & Testament in which he has bequeathed
undersigned, who died about the year 1863, and was
one of the officers of the congregation and was
in the same church till his death in the
1863.