

the lands comprise my real estate
and my personal estate, but I wish
these lands to be divided into small
one fourth shares (with some reservation
herein expressed) to be made to
Reuben, Archibald, & John. I leave
my son Thomas & his heirs to receive
from me the one hundred acres
which he lives.

The home place I leave to my wife,
if she should survive me, during
her life. While she would not probably
desire to live with Archibald, yet as I wish
not to make any expense for her
towards support &c. I deem that the rate
of the home place will be sufficient for
that purpose. At her death the said
home place (viz about 125 acres) of lot
No. 17 in the 5th District shall pass
to my estate and be subject to the same
divisions as my other lands.

If it be deemed better by my children
that other provisions be made for her com-
fort and support and she consenting,
then in that case the said home place
will as soon as safe and satisfactory
arrangements are made therefor go into
the division at once.

I have heretofore promised my son
William if he would return to Georgia
that I would give him one hundred
acres of land off the North West side
of Lot No. 81. Since his return I have
meditated this proposing that the line
shall extend through any half of the
Mill Lot No. 80 lying broadside giving
him his number of acres proportionate with
the others, be it more or less.

One share may be made off the same
lot, and one share off the home place, the
two first divided in the same way as
William. See the division of the
shares will be of the same value. The
division is as just as according to justice
and equity between the parties and the
value of the property, then getting the
most valuable tract to refund to those
getting shares of the value.

As this division I state that I expect
less money in William's education
than the others owing to circumstances
and they change in my personal estate
after the war, therefore I feel that this con-
sideration he is to have one hundred
of the dollars the advantage in the value
of the lands.

Archibald has had advantage of
education, but obtained at any other
his possession, which perhaps makes
him equal with the other divisions, if
not then he shall have fifty dollars extra
in the value of his share.

To sum up and divide Samuel
Winn, Archibald, Reuben, Archibald & John
W. M. Winer each to 50 acres and make
it to have an equal and equitable
division of my lands and estate
share and share alike, subject to the
volition of my wife as above told.

Thomas, to whom I gave one hundred
acres, the place on which he lives, and
which is about equally equal in
value of what will be the other shares
and which he has been in possession of
a number of years, and in which
he has said

the advantage of any other position in this part of his estate as a residence of care, than the other where I have to him the little bottom and the life of a pond attached, that I purchased from John Stewart, and even the selection of John Stewart of which the deeds the boundaries of which I had lent is as follows: (namely) Commencing at the public road and for from the front of his house, where the original line between lot 11 and 30 crosses the road, thence south west to my spring house, thence down said branch to the creek, thence across the creek embracing the little bottom up to the road, a narrow slip of this lot 11 all embracing S. or N. house. This note I hold, given in 1846 for \$8 dollars is to be given up to him.

I am not much in debt, and owe due me enough if collected to pay my indebtedness - if so the proceeds from the sale of my personal property will be divided among all my children, after my wife is provided for as above provided.

The old and faithful servant Jim & his wife Mary occupies a few acres on the home place, which they deem as their home, but have never paid for it. I request that on account of their long quietness to me that they be not disturbed as long as they wish to remain on said place.

And my faithful friend Henry Smith Colver, also also a little time

on the same tract, and finally for the account of his faithful and industrious son I request that he also be not disturbed until he may choose to occupy it as a home.

To carry this writing into effect I appoint my just and lawful attorney John W. Smith as my executor and request that he make in return to the State unless some unforeseen circumstances should require it.

Finally, I desire to say, and to bear testimony in this writing, which is to live after I am dead and passed to my account, that a good Providence has blessed me all the days of my life.

Long life has been granted to me, good health, interrupted by only a single spell of sickness, from my early childhood through a long life of more than three score years, and yet, in death to come to my own home in the home of one of my children; a faithful wife, devoted children of upright character, and honored in the community for their intelligence and integrity; a companion of this world, good, a large circle of good friends of the best class of our citizens, having their esteem and confidence; honored often with expressions of trust and responsibility by my people, and now while nearing the glorious age in perfect health and in possession of all my faculties both mental and physical but little impaired.

With these life long blessings I retire with the www.georgiapioneers.com

Let the names of God, Amen, I have
 God, & the State of Georgia and County of
 Richmond considering the necessity of
 the Most Holy and Church of God and
 and necessary, to give a bill for the
 do write and publish the very last will
 and Testament in presence of some
 following to wit: That I, James
 Dodd, do hereby give it and my last will
 and Testament in presence of some
 the last from which it came to be
 buried in a Christian like manner.
 And as to the Property which has been
 given I will and bequeath unto my
 dear wife Martha during her life time
 my land and all other Property of which
 I may be possessed at my decease, and
 hereafter otherwise disposed of and after her
 death I will and desire that she have
 a home for the remaining children as long
 as they may please so that there is no
 state of life. And I will and bequeath
 unto my three children as follows
 viz, Elizabeth B. Dodd, George B. Dodd, James
 B. Dodd, Martha A. Dodd, William B. Dodd,
 Mary B. Dodd, Susan A. Dodd, Elizabeth
 B. Dodd, Joseph W. Dodd, Peter B. Dodd, Mary
 B. Dodd. And I will and desire that the
 last of my dear wife Martha that she be
 and equal division between all my lawful
 heirs above named of all the other Property
 except a certain young boy named and my
 land which are to remain in the power
 of my single children that may choose to
 remain in the Plantation as above stated
 I also appoint my dear wife Martha Dodd
 my Executrix and my son James B.
 Dodd my Executor to the very last will

and Testament, signed, sealed & published and ordered
 by the testator in his last will & Testament in presence
 of some, who at the signing of the present and in
 presence of each other have subscribed our names as
 witnesses thereto this the twelfth day of May in the
 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
 thirty four
 James B. Dodd Testator
 Benjamin Daniels
 John Thomas
 Elias Brown

George B. Dodd, Clerk of the Court
 County of Richmond for said County do
 hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a
 true copy of the original last will & Testament
 of James B. Dodd deceased.
 Witness my hand and seal
 this 25th day of September 1834.
 Wm. Matthews Clerk C.

Georgia By the Court of Ordinary for said
 County of Richmond to all to whom these presents shall
 come - Greeting, Know Ye, That on the
 second day of September in the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty four
 the last will and Testament of James B. Dodd
 late of said County deceased, was exhibited in
 open Court, and in presence of some of the
 judges and admitted to record, a copy of which
 is here annexed, and a duplicate of all
 and singular the goods, chattels and credits
 of said deceased was granted to Martha
 Dodd & James B. Dodd the Executors and
 the Executrix in and by said will named
 and appointed, they having first taken
 the Oath and performed all other requisite
 required by law, and they are by order of
 said Court, and