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State of Georgia } in the name of
Shirley County } God amen I
Shirley of State and County being of
Common Age and going to the War and
not knowing that I shall live to return
I deem it my duty both as it respects my
self and Family that I should make
a disposition of the property with which
a kind Providence has blessed me thus
fore make this my last will and testament
here by revoking all others made by me
heretofore

1st I desire and direct that my body be
buried in a decent and Christian like
manner suitable to my circumstances and
condition in life my sole I trust shall return
to rest with God who gave us I hope for
eternal salvation through the merits and
attribution of the blessed Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ whosoever religion I have professed
and as I humbly bow myself for three years
I desire and direct that all my just
debts be paid as quick as the case will ad-
mit as I am unwilling my creditors should
be delayed in the right when there is no
necessity for delay

2d I direct I give bequeath and desire to my
beloved wife Maryann within whom I have
lived in sickness great for twelve years all
my Estate both real and personal during
her natural life or widowhood to have and
to hold as she may think proper for the benefit
of her and my children if she should have
to be sold and Equally be given to her and my
children

provided the debt money to be paid
and divided equally among my children
and here by Certificate and appointment
my beloved wife Maryan executor and my
worthy friend Maria H. Davis executor
of this my last will and testament they may
1862

John M. Young
signed, read, acknowledged and published by
John M. Young as his last will and testam-
ent in presence of us the subscribers, namely
servants at his special instance and
request and of each other May 5, 1862

Jesse C. Sumner
William H. Sumner
Sion H. Lea
Campbell & Daniel
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An open court appeared Sion H. Lea
and Jesse C. Sumner, whom being duly sworn
say that this writing contains the
last request of John M. Young that said John
signed his name to it in his natural
mind and signed it - those subject
his request

Sumner to read and subscribed to this
May 4 1863

Vic. H. Lea
Jesse C. Sumner

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