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Gen^l in I James Tait of the County
Jackson County and State of Georgia being
infirm of body but of sound and disposing
mind & memory ~~and desiring~~ to dispose of what
property it has pleased God to bless me with do
make and ordain this my last will and testament
in manner and form following to wit

1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Susan Tait during her life time a widowhood
the following property Viz One negro man named
Isaac and one negro woman named Milly three
hundred and a half acres of land being part of the tract of
land whereon I now live including the dwelling
house and other buildings where I now live and
road wagon and two horses (the choicer) two
head of cattle and two head of hogs (the choicer) two
feather beds and furniture with all the farming
utensils this property to be kept to gether and the
proceeds of it to be applied to the support of
my wife and raising and educating my three
youngest children viz, James Melville Tillary
Tait also all my house hold and kitchen
furniture that I may leave at my decease
not herein after bequeathed to other persons

2^d I Give and bequeath to my son William
Tait One negro man named Tom which said
Tom has been put in possession of my said son
William Tait also one tract of land lying
in the County of Habersham and State of Georgia
in the fifth district of said County & Lots 9
containing four hundred and seventy acres
3^d I Give and bequeath to my grand son
James M. Garner One negro girl named
Caroline and her in order also the tract of
land whereon Green Garner now lives which I
purchased from George Stewart all these and
no more

4th I Give and bequeath to my son James
 Fair two negroes viz. Albert & Henry also
 the remaining part of the tract of land
 known as Snows here after taking off the three
 hundred acres here in before bequeathed to
 my wife Susannah Fair - also a Young
 Black Horse which he now claims and our
 feather bed and furniture and our Cow
 and Calf

5th I Give and bequeath to my daughter
 Delila Fair two negroes viz. Buff & Lucy &
 her increase & feather bed & furniture

6th I Give and bequeath to my daughter
 Mary Fair two negroes viz. Nancy & Mary
 with their increase & feather bed & furniture

7th I Give to my step son Joseph Adams our
 feather bed & furniture & one Cow & Calf

8th It is my will that at the death or marriage
 of my wife Susannah Fair - the land & house
 before bequeathed to her during her life or wid-
 owhood shall belong to my son James Fair -

9th It is further my will that all the property
 herein ^{before} bequeathed to my Grand son James
 M. Garner shall ~~revert~~ revert to and become

the property of and subject to an equal divi-
 sion among my four children viz. William
 James Delila & Mary Fair in case of his death
 without issue or legal heirs

10th all the residue of my estate shall to be
 sold and equally divided among my four
 children viz. William James Delila & Mary
 Fair also the property given to my wife except
 the land shall at her death or marriage to be sold
 and subject to an equal distribution among
 my four children above named

11th I hereby nominate and appoint my
 two friends James Smith & John

execute to this my last Will and
Testament hereby making all former
will or wills by me heretofore made
I testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand
and affix my seal this December 11th 1836

In presence of
John McClure
William Lyle
Isaac Boring

his
James X Tait- Esq
mark

Georgia Court of Ordinary
Jackson County July Term 1837

The within last will & Testament of James
Tait having been duly proven at this
regular Term in open Court on the
oaths of William Lyle Isaac Boring &
John S. McClure & doled to be admitted
to records

Sylvanus Ripley c.c.o.

Decided the 8th day of July 1837

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