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John Lowe Will.
Georgia Jones County

In the name of God.

I John Lowe of said State & County being of advanced age & knowing that I must shortly depart from this world deem it right & proper both as respects my self & my family that I should make a disposition of the property which a kind providence hath blessed me I therefore make this my last will & testament hereby revoking & annulling all others heretofore made by me.

I Item first. I desire & direct that my body be buried in a decent & Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances & condition. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it as I hope for eternal salvation through the blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ whose blessings I have enjoyed through life.

I Item second. I desire & direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my executors herein after named as I am not willing my creditors should be delayed of their rights especially as there is no necessity for delay.

I Item Third. To my daughter Nancy Humphries I give & bequeath my negro girl Rachel in addition to what I have give her heretofore.

I Item fourth - To my son William H. Lowe I give & bequeath my negro boy Allen in addition to what I have given him heretofore.

I Item 5th. To my son James P. Lowe I give & bequeath my negro boy Moses in addition to what I have already given him.

I Item 6th To my son Cadet W. Lowe I give & bequeath my negro man Jerry & three hundred Dollars in

addition to what I have already given him.

Item 7th To my daughter Sarah E. Slocumb I give & bequeath my negro boy Albert & fifty dollars in addition to what I have already given her.

Item 8th To my sons Michael W. Lowe and John L. Lowe I give & bequeath all my household & kitchen furniture to be equally divided between them except three beds bedsteads & furniture - one for my daughter Nancy Humphris - one for my daughter Sarah E. Slocumb & one for John L. Lowe. Michael W. & John L. Lowe to have the beds & steads that has the curtains that belongs to them to be given to them after my death, & my stock of cattle to be equally divided between my three sons Carter W. Lowe, Michael W. Lowe & John L. Lowe & my stock of hogs to be equally divided between Michael W. Lowe & John L. Lowe - & all my plantation tools to be equally divided between Michael W. Lowe & John L. Lowe & nothing to be sold or carried from the plantation untill after the twenty fifth day of December Eighteen hundred & fifty one & Michael W. Lowe to have all the wheat & oats besides what is sufficient for the families use, & to have one half of all the corn & cotton that is made on the plantation during the year eighteen hundred & fifty & the other half to be equally divided between Nancy Humphris, William H. Lowe, James P. Lowe & Sarah E. Slocumb after paying all my just debts out of the proceeds of said crop & my two sons Michael W. Lowe & John L. Lowe to have the oxen & waggon between them & Michael W. Lowe to have my bay mare & my buggy & the three horses (my) old John Reuben & the filly, to be sold & the proceeds equally divided between Nancy Humphris, William H. Lowe, James P. Lowe & Sarah E. Slocumb, & the blacksmith tools to belong to belong to Michael W. Lowe & John L. Lowe, my two youngest sons & in addition to what my son John L. Lowe has had I give & bequeath unto him my negro man Isaac & my little negro

girl Vey.

Item 9th I set apart the following negroes to be equally divided between Nancy Humphris William H. Lowe James P. Lowe & Sarah E. Slocumb viz Phillis Ransall Elizabeth Berry Edmond Christian & Lizane in whatever way or manner they may seem proper.

Item 10th - And to my two sons Michael W. Lowe & John L. Lowe. I give & bequeath & all my land - it being & lying in the County ^{of Jones} & State of Georgia & sixth District of originally Baldwin County & lots No Seventy Seven, Seventy eight Seventy nine & fifty four acres ^{off} of lot No fifty three & eighty one acres off of lot No fifty five - in all seven hundred & forty two & one half acres adjoining lands of William Hudson Robert H. Henderson Mrs. Sarah Smith & Robert R. Hutchings - the said lands to be equally divided & Michael W. Lowe to have choice of parcels & to pay said John L. Lowe the difference if in the parcels after a valuation by disinterested persons.

Item 11th And whatever amounts of notes & money may be left on hand at my death shall be applied in paying to Caden W. Lowe the three hundred dollars given to him & to paying Sarah E. Slocumb the fifty dollars given to her & if any left it shall be equally divided among all my children -

But all to remain in my possession & at my disposal during my natural life time to do as I may hereafter see proper.

Item 12th I constitute & appoint James P. Lowe & Michael W. Lowe Executors to this my last will & testament this the twenty first day of April in the year of our Lord 1851 Eighteen hundred & fifty one

John Lowe (H. S.)

Signed Sealed & published by John Lowe as his last will & testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names hereunto