

240 Georgia Meriwether County of Ordinary
Meriwether County 3 October Term 1854
The within last Will and
Testament of John C. Cop, having been proven
at this regular term in open Court upon
the Oaths of Atlas O'Neal, Matthew Mitchell
and James H. A. Peckles, ordered that the
same be admitted to Record.
3^d Oct 1854 J. L. Gresham (Ordinary)
Meriwether County Ga.
Recorded this 3^d day Oct. 1854
J. L. Gresham, Secy

The State of Georgia I Abraham M.
Meriwether County Mathews of the
County and state aforesaid
being of sound disposing mind but
labouring under affliction of body have
thought proper to make this my last Will
and Testament
Item 1st I give and bequeath to my beloved
Wife the tract of land on which I now
live together with all the improvements thereon
Also the Household and Kitchen furniture
plantation tools with so much of the stock
of horses and Mules, Stock of cows and
hogs as she desires to have, to be to carry
on the business of the farm, Also the plantation
Carriage and the Negroes hereinafter named
for and to during her natural life.
Item 2nd I have already given to my daughter
Rebecca C. Jones a Negro Man Sine, Bed and
furniture, a horse with harness five dollars and
saddle and cow and calf also to my sons
James P. and Aquilla P. Mathews I have

given the same as my Daughter Rebecca C. Also
I have given to my Daughter Sarah E. Crozier
a Negro woman named Sally and her two
children, which said Negroes I value to be
worth one hundred dollars more than the
Negroes given to my aforesaid children which
said one hundred dollars I give to my said
Daughter Sarah E. for services rendered my family
before marriage, I have also given her other
property in proportion to my aforesaid children,
Also to my son Abraham M. Mathews I have
already given Money equal to the value of
Negroes given to my aforesaid children, Also
a horse worth seventy five dollars, a saddle,
a bed & furniture, and cow and calf here-
after to be given to my said son Abraham M.
Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my Daughter Eliza

M. Mathews a Negro man named Henry
about twenty five years old, a horse worth seventy
five dollars, a saddle, bed and furniture and
cow and calf.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my son
Adoniram S. Mathews, a Negro boy about
sixteen years old, named Wiley, a horse worth
seventy five dollars, a saddle, bed & furniture,
and cow and calf forever.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my Daughter
Athanasia S. Mathews a Negro boy named Pary-
about sixteen years old, a horse worth seventy
five dollars, a bed and furniture and
cow and calf forever.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my Daughter
Ellen S. Mathews a Negro boy named
Miles, about fifteen years old, a horse
worth seventy five dollars, a saddle, a
bed & furniture, and cow and calf forever.

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my son

William C. Mathews, a Negro boy named
Squire, about thirteen years old, a horse
worth twenty five dollars, a saddle a Bed
and furniture, and cow and calf, forever.
Item 8th I will that in the event any of
the Negroes given the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th or 7th
Henry should die or become worthless from
disease before they shall be given to my said
children named in the aforesaid third, fourth,
fifth, sixth and seventh Henry then and in
that case my said Executors hereafter named
shall give said child or children out of
the residue of my property a sum equal
to the value of the Negro given to my
other children

Item 9th I give and bequeath to my beloved
wife as many of the residue of my Negroes
not given in the aforesaid Henry as she may
desire. Also my Burgary if she wishes it,
and the residue of my property if any,
both real and personal shall be divided
or otherwise disposed of as my said Executors
hereinafter named may think best for the
interests of said Estate, and the proceeds
of the same to be equally divided among
my lawful heirs

Item 10th I will that all the property both
real and personal given to my beloved wife
as aforesaid be for her separate use and
benefit for and during her natural life
and after her decease the said property
to be equally divided among my lawful
heirs

Item 11th I will that all my Books, as they
will sell for the said sum, be equally divided
among all my children

Item 12th I will that my beloved wife during

her life, pay annually Fifteen dollars for the
support of the Gospel at the Friendship Church.
Item 13th I hereby constitute and appoint my
sons Aquilla B. and Abraham M. Mathews
Executors of this my last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I the said Abraham
M. Mathews have hereunto set my hand and
Seal this Twelfth day of A.D. 1853.

Abraham M. Mathews Esq
Signed, Sealed and declared and published
by the said Abram M. Mathews as and for his
last Will and Testament in the presence of
us who in his presence and in the presence of
each other and at his request have hereunto
Subscribed our names as Witnesses,

Wm. Chandler
Mendley of Tennessee
Saslow W. Underwood
Hyrain H. Hupey
J. Hupey

Georgia Meriwether Court of
Meriwether County 3 Ordinary November
Term 1854

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M. Mathews having been proven at this regular
Term in open Court, upon the Oaths of John
H. Hupey, Mendley of Tennessee and Hyrains
H. Hupey, Ordered that the same be admitted
to Record
6th Nov. 1854 3 J. Mc Fresham, C.M.C.

I remaine Yours Truly
J. Mc Fresham
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