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forgoing and last Will of me
Zachariah Butts February 5th 1841. -

Just Robt Hamilton

James Mitcher

Joseph M. Anthony

Georgia

Meriwether County

} Butts Co

} Court of Ordinary
July Term 1841. -

The within last will and Testament of
Z. Butts having been duly proven in
Open Court at this regular Term upon
the oaths of Robt. Hamilton James Mitcher
Jnr. and Joseph M. Anthony. Ordered
that the same be admitted to Record this
5th July 1841.

Record 5th July 1841. Levi M. Adams
Ck. Co.

Georgia

30th Sep 1841.

Meriwether County

} On the name of God amen

James Crowder being weak in body of sound
mind & memory think proper to make and
constitute this my last Will and Testament
I resign my body to the tomb and my soul to
God who gave it. - -

Item 1st. I give to my son Mark Henry Crowder
the plantation upon which I now reside con-
taining four hundred and fifteen acres more
or less composed of lots number thirty one
thirty two and ten acres more or less of
lot number thirty three all lying in the
third district of aforesaid County.

Item 2^d. I give to my son Mark H. Crowder my
negro man Ned requiring that the said
Ned shall & will take care during his natural life

Item 3rd I require my son Mark H. Crowder to find board washing and lodging for Susan Crowder Virginia O. Crowder Katharine O. Crowder and Maria Ann A. Crowder during the time the said girls remain single provided nevertheless that should they or any of them obtain or choose a different residence then my son Mark H. Crowder is not to be ^{held} responsible for their or her support.

Item 4th I give ^{un}to my four single daughters also named the following negro slaves and their increase to be equally divided ^{between} them viz. Abraham, Kizzy, George, Nancy, Pudence, Sham, Charity, Louisa, Shadrach, Daniel, Emily, Francis, David, Raleigh, Joshua, and Harriet When any one of aforesaid single daughters either marries and becomes of lawful age there shall be an appraisement ^{of the} said negroes and she or they so marrying or arriving at lawful age shall receive her or their portion or dividend. The balance to remain undivided until the next marriage or legal division.

Item 5th I give four mules my carriage & harness, corn, pork and wheat, sufficient for one year support if Susan, Virginia, Katharine and Ann Crowder the mules and carriage shall remain upon the aforesaid plantation for the use of the said Susan Virginia Katharine and Ann Crowder as long as they stay together as aforesaid It is further required that this Item, ^{shall} remain until the last marriage of the said single daughters after which the Carriage and Mules are to be sold and the proceeds equally divided between them The aforesaid

Susan, Virginia Katharine and Ann Crowder.

Item 6th. I give to Susan, Virginia, Katharine & Ann Crowder, each one bed, bedstead & furniture which are to remain upon my premises and be furnished to them as they may marry or come to lawful age.

Item 7th. I give unto my daughter Eliza B. Bell. in addition to those she has already received one negro boy named Melbeck.

Item 8th. I give to my daughter Mary A. Keese one negro boy Henry in addition to those she has before received.

Item 9th. I bequeath to my daughter Sarah H. Martin one negro girl named Annistha in addition to those she has before received.

Item 10th. I give to my ^{grand} daughter Susan Elizabeth McGhee offspring of my daughter Caroline W. McGhee one negro girl named Martha. It is required that should my ^{grand} daughter Susan die before marriage or maturity of age that the said negro girl Martha is to be sold and the proceeds equally divided between my born daughters or their lawful heirs.

Item 11th. The following negroes, Joe, Abidnego, Prosietta, Mary, Julia, George James Martha and Hope, I give to be equally divided between my daughters and grand daughters.

to E. B. Bell, E. A. Keese S. H. Martin S. E. McGhee J. G. Crowder V. D. Crowder, H. S. Crowder & M. A. A. Crowder. It is nevertheless ^{provided} that should my grand daughter Susan E. McGhee ^{decease before} marrying or arriving at lawful age her interest in the said item shall return to my

Seven daughters above named and is equally divided among them
Item 13th I give my Watch, Gun & family Bells to my son Mark H. Crowder.

13th my library I give to my nine children to be equally divided between them

Item 14th My land lying in Walker County Georgia the growing or standing crop together with my personal property not enumerated in the above legacies I wish to be sold and after paying all my just debts the avails to be equally divided between my children & grand daughter S. A. McEker above named requiring that Virginia, Katharine and Ann Crowders, shall receive each thirty seven \$500 Dollars more than an equal division with interest from the first day of January 1836 it being their portions of their grand father Burley's estate the other children having already received their divisions of said estate the money due me by Samuel H. McEker must be collected and applied as above my grand daughters interest in this sum in case of death before her marriage or maturity of age must be equally divided between my other children

Item 15th I appoint my son Mark H. Crowder my executor of this my will & Testament and nothing and annulling all others declaring this to be my last will and Testament Interlined before signed.

Signed & sealed in presence of
William S. Jackson
Wilton Clayton
Wm. Scarborough
James Crowder

Georgia = Court of Ordinary
Meriwether County = November Term 1844.
The within last will and testament of
James Crowder decd. having been duly proven
at this regular term in open court upon
the oaths of William Jackson Milton Chapin
and Miles Scarborough Ordered that the
same be admitted to ~~any~~ Record —
Recorded this 1st day of November 1844.
Lewis M. Adams C. C. C.

Georgia
Meriwether County
In the name of God Amen
I John Guice of the County and State aforesaid
being of sound disposing mind and memory
and knowing that is appointed for man
once to die do make and establish this to
be my last will & request revoking all others
that I have heretofore made.
First I give to my wife two negroes Lucy
and Harrison our horse two cows and
calves of her own choice our bed and
furniture my household & kitchen furniture
with one years provisions and the land
on which I now reside this property I
with my wife to have during her life
or widowhood and after to be sold
and equally divided between my
children or their heirs.
I give to my daughter Elizabeth one
cow & calf and one bed & furniture
of her choice
I give to my grand son Joseph & John