

408 Georgia
Merritts County } In the name of
God Amen
I, John H. one of
said State and County being of advanced age
and knowing that I must shortly depart
from this world deem it right and proper
both as respects myself and family that
I should make a disposition of the property
with which almighty Providence has blessed me
I therefore make this my last will and
Testament hereby revoking and annulling
all others heretofore made by me
Item first I desire and direct that my
body be buried in a decent and Christian
like manner suitable to my circumstances
and condition

Item second I desire and direct that all
my just debts be paid without delay by
my executors herein after named

Item third I give and devise to my beloved
wife Elizabeth with whom I have lived in the
strictest union and love for many years
all of my land (to wit) West half of lot
number (157) one hundred and fifty-one also
lot number (106) one hundred and six all lying
in the north district of originally Torrey's
now Merritts County containing three hundred
& three & 3/4 acres more or less with all the rights
members and appurtenances to said land in
any wise appertaining or belonging all of my
house hold and kitchen furniture Plantation
tools of every description and all of my stock
of Hogs Cattle and Sheep and horses riding car-
riage &c. my wagon and cart and a suffi-
ciency of provisions for twelve months my
kin thrasher running gear of gin and
pecking service also all my Negroes (to wit)

Charles a man about thirty three & of
years old Major a man about thirty years
old Cynthia a woman about forty three
years old Jane a woman about twenty
one years old Dinah a woman about
twenty two years old and their future
increase and Bob a boy about eight
years old for the purpose of her support
Anaterrable her to raise and educate her
children and for her support during
her natural life or widowhood and at
her death or marriage then it is my
desire that all of the above named property
be sold and the money be equally
divided between my children or their issue
and if any of my children should die
leaving no issue or child then their distri-
butive share is to revert back to my estate
and be equally divided between his or her
brothers and sisters or their issue

Item fourth That part or portions of my
estate going to each of my daughters to
wit Sarah Ann Ornel wife of James W
Ornel Amelia F. Greaves F. & Eliza
& Nancy & Emily & Martha I give to
them during their life and after their
death to their children free from the
operation of their power or any future
incumbrance

Item fifth It is also my desire that each
of my children as they become of age or
marry receive of my estate the same amount
of property that I have given to my daughter
Sarah Ornel It is also my desire that my
children be given a good english education
especially my sons

Item sixth The rest of my property both

All real and personal wherever or what-
 ever it may be I give to my wife
 Elizabeth for and during her natural life
 or widowhood and at her death or
 marriage to be disposed of in the manner
 as in Item Third
 Item Seventh I constitute and appoint
 my son John McHorn and Robert
 Mcbrary executors to this my last
 will and Testament this November 18th
 1857

John McHorn
 +
 Robert Mcbrary
 Executors

Signed sealed declared and published
 by John McHorn as his last will and
 Testament in the presence of us the
 subscribers who subscribed our names
 hereto in the presence of said testator
 and of each other this November 18th
 1857

James B. Glah } The word given in item fifth inter-
 Gray M. Allen } lined before signed
 Fred. B. Herndon } the word wife in item sixth entered
 William H. Owen } before signed
 Mark

Georgia } Court of Ordinary December Term 1857
 Meriwether County } The within last Will & Testament of
 John McHorn having been proven
 at this regular Term in open court upon the oath
 of Gray M. Allen, William Owen and James B. Glah
 Ordered that the same be admitted to record
 7th Decr 1857 J. B. Gresham M.C.

Recorded this 8th December 1857
 J. B. Gresham M.C.