

State of Georgia
Meriwether County } In the name of God Amen
I, John Meriwether of said State
and County, being of sound mind and knowing
that I must shortly depart this life, deem it right
and proper to do as respects my family and estate
that I should make a disposition of my property
with which a kind Providence has blessed me,
do therefore make this my last will and Testament
Therby revoking all others heretofore made:
Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be buried
in a decent and Christian like manner suitable
to my circumstances and condition in life. My
soul I trust shall return to the rest which God
who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation through
the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord Jesus
Christ, whose religion I have professed
and by his grace truly enjoyed for nearly sixty years:
Item 2^d I desire and direct that all my just
debts be paid without delay by my executors
hereinafter appointed, as I am unwilling my
Creditors should be delayed in their rights espe-
cially as there is no necessity for delay.
Item 3^d I give and bequeath to my well beloved
children James Vernon my Negro girl
Lucy about ten years old for and during her
natural life, all of said land North of & by sea
in the Seventh district of this County, after the death
of my wife Ann Meriwether
Item 4th I give and bequeath to my well beloved
children Anne Eliza Meriwether my Negro girl
Caroline about seventeen years old and her child
Francis about six months old and my Negro boy
Wiley about ten years old, all of which I give
and bequeath to her during their natural life:
Item 5th I give and bequeath to my well beloved
wife Ann Meriwether, all the remaining

My Estate both real and personal to dispose
of as they may see proper
Then 6th I hereby appoint and constitute my
Widow Catherine Morrison my attorney
and my power this power from a power
bearing of this my last will and testament
the 27th day of February 1857

Witness my hand and seal the 27th day of February 1857
John Morrison
Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of
J. H. H. H.
C. H. H. H.
J. H. H. H.

Georgia
Meriwether County Court of Chancery
May Term 1857
The within last will and testament of
John Morrison being duly proved at this
regular term in open Court before the Court
of Andrew Hay and Elijah W. Haffner and read
that the same be admitted to record
this 8th day of May 1857

Attest
J. H. H. H.
C. H. H. H.
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Recorded this 27th day of May 1857
J. H. H. H.