

State of Georgia, in the name of
Milton County, to be known as a

I, John Nix, of said
State and County being of ad-
vanced age but of sound and
disposing mind and memory,
knowing that I must shortly
depart this life deem it right
and proper both as respects
my family and myself that I
should make a disposition of
the property with which a kind
providence has blessed me.

I do therefore make this my last
Will and Testament hereby
revoking and annulling all
others by me heretofore made.
First - I desire and direct
that my body be buried in a
decent and Christianlike man-
ner suitable to my circumstances
and condition in life. My
soul I trust shall return to rest
with God who gave it as I
hope for salvation through the
merits and atonement of
the blessed Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ.

Secondly - I desire and direct
that all my just debts be paid
without delay by my executors
hereinafter named who appoint

Thirdly - I give bequeath
and devise to my beloved
wife Francis Nix and my
daughter Sarah Ann Nix to
have hold and enjoy the same

of my said wife Francis Nix jointly provided the said Mary Ann Nix lives with my said wife Francis Nix and if not to my said wife alone all my tract of land known as the old homestead consisting of lots of land numbers 632, 706, 707, 734, 735, 736, 777, 778, and 10 acres of 779, all lying in the 3^d District and 3^d Section of originally Cherokee County and containing each fifty acres more or less and at the death of said wife Francis Nix I desire that said land be sold and the proceeds thereof be divided among my heirs hereinafter mentioned. I further give and bequeath to my said wife and daughter to have and to hold the same, as aforesaid two mules a two horse wagon such as she may select and two thousand bushels of corn twenty five bushels of wheat two thousand pounds of bacon and farming tools and gear sufficient to make a two year crop. I further give and desire that my grandson Thomas Jefferson Cochran provided he remains and lives with my said wife Francis Nix until he marries or he comes of age be given a common school education at the expense of my estate and upon his marriage or arrival at the age of majority he be given a horse

the value of the hundred dollars. Fifthly I will and desire that the residue of my estate both real and personal be sold and equally divided among Susan Stephens or the heirs of her body, Polly Maddox or the heirs of her body, Patsy Hood or the heirs of her body, Charles Nix or the heirs of his body and Alexander Nix son of Wiley Nix or the heirs of his body and Leroy A. Nix or the heirs of her body, it being my desire that each of my children and the said Alexander Nix aforesaid shall have an equal portion of my estate and in the event of the death of any one of my children or the said Alexander Nix aforesaid then his or her children shall succeed to his or her equal portion of said estate. I further will and desire that upon the death of my wife Francis Nix the lands mentioned in the third item of this my Will with all other property which she may have the same being the profits arising from said lands or the personal property bequeathed in said item be sold and equally divided among my heirs as aforesaid. It further being my desire to separately disinherit Sally Lockman and her children and Elizabeth

Phillips and I hereby constitute and appoint my
son Charles M. and my son in
law John Stephens executors of
this my last will and testament
This February the 8th 1878

John Nix Q3
Signed, sealed, declared and published
by John Nix as his last Will and
testament in the presence of the under-
signed who subscribed our names
present in the presence of said testator
at his special instance and request
and in the presence of each other

J. M. Howell

J. W. Hodges

Thomas L. Lewis