

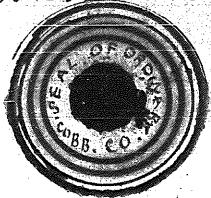
George W Morris' Will Concluded

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I hereby certify that the foregoing will of George W Morris of Muscogee County who departed this life in the County of Cobb was duly admitted to probate in Common Law form of Law upon the testimony of David Irwin, G W Griggs and Thos B Irwin.



Sworn under my hand and Seal of
Office this the 21st day of March 1875
C J Shepard
Ordinary

Owen Thomas' Will.

State of Georgia } I Owen Thomas of said
Muscogee County } County do make and declare
and publish the following as my last Will and
Testament

Item 1st I desire all the debts I may owe if any prosecute paid.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to Thacker B. Howard's wife and her children the debts and demands of every kind I hold upon him and the monies accruing or to accrue thereon exclusive of the husband and his creditors.

Item 3rd I desire that my negroes Griffin and his wife Esther and their children Peggy Elizabeth and Griffin now born, and such as they may hereafter have; Mariah and her children Sandy, William Jacob Willis now born, and such as they may hereafter have, Mauro and all her children, Eliza James, Margaret, and such as they may hereafter have, Jack and his wife Hannah and the son of Hannah, Tony, Ned, Wyatt and Malinda and the children of Malinda, Homer, Nathan and Hauphin - and such other children as she may have. Washington and his wife Pleasant and their children if they shall have any;

Glardon, Umited and Piece to be conveyed to Liberia or any other free state foreign to Georgia into which they lawfully elect to go, and in which they may lawfully reside, and them to be forever manumitted and freed, they and their posterity.

Item 4th I desire all the residue of my negroes, my horses, crops stocks and property of every kind

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sold for cash and the proceeds of sales along with
monies in hand collection of debts of every class
due me (excepting always the debt of Thacker
B Howard as specified) converted into a common
fund to be disposed of as follows viz' so much
as may be required to the payment of debts, the
defrayment of expenses incident to the execution of my
Will, the subsistence and removal to their new and
contemplated homes of such of my negroes as are
intended to be manumitted and freed and the residue
by eventual division among my negroes who shall
thus become free.

Item 3rd. I give to my Executors each the sum of
Fifteen hundred Dollars as fixed and full
compensation for the execution of this will.

To Griffin (The Father) and Mauno each the
sum of Twenty five Hundred Dollars exclusive of
and additional to what they receive in commission
with the other freed negroes. These said sums being
abstracted and appropriated, I wish the remainder
divided into as many parts as there are freed
negroes in number, and one part paid to each
person over eighteen years of age on his or her
arrival in his or her new home; without regard
to marriage or sex, including said Griffin and
Mauno; and the remaining parts divided among
the Parents of children in the precise proportion
the several families of children bear to each other.

Item 6th. The bequest to Mrs Thacker Howard to wit: Sarah
G and her children is designed to include children
she may hereafter have as well those now born to
be a joint one to Mrs Howard and her children
and to her sole and separate use as between
her and her husband and the creditors of the
husband, and to include the transfer assignment
and control of a mortgage with the lien made
by said Howard to me on the Nineteenth day
of February 1849, and under judgment of fore-
closure in the Court of Chancery in Russell Co
Alabama at this time as now especially provided
for in a separate instrument of even date with
this, attested by the same witnesses and which I
humbly recognize and confirm as part and parcel
of this my last will and Testament.

Item 7. I nominate and appoint James H Redd of
Muscogee in this State of Georgia, and Augustus
Howard in the State of Alabama Executors of
this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my

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hand and seal this the 25th day of February 1852.

Owen Thomas [Signature]

Signed sealed delivered and published by the said
Owen Thomas as his last Will and Testament in our
presence who in his presence and in presence of
each other and at his request have hereunto set our
names as Witnesses the day and date above written

Oliver Donforth Jr
Marshall J. Willborn
Josephus Echols

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the
true last Will of the within named Owen Thomas
deceased, so far as I know or believe and that I
will well and truly execute the same in according
with the laws of this State.

So help me God.

June 12th 1871. (Signature)

James M. Redd

Georgia Muscogee County Court of Ordinary
County June Term 1871.

The above instrument of writing
admitted to Record as the last Will and Testament
of Owen Thomas deceased by order of the Superior
Court of said County.

John W. Blue
Ordinary