

the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars. I, Alexander Everett 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 my family that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me. Now I therefore make this my last will and testament. hereby revoking and annulling all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be Buried in a decent and Christian like manner and if practicable in my family Burying ground in the Village of Haywards County of Houston State of Georgia.

Item 2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my Executors hereinafter after mentioned.

Item 3rd I Give and devise to my beloved wife Susan one Buggy one Horse such as she may choose from my lot of horses one Bureau and whatsoever of Furniture is necessary to furnish a bed room such as she may choose from my house hold Furniture all without reserve or limitation.

Item 4th I Give and bequeath to my beloved wife without limitation the following negroes, Mary woman about thirty eight years old and her six children. Francis girl about fifteen years of age Bet Girl about twelve years of age Phillis Girl about nine years of age John boy about seven years of age Harry boy about four years of age and Joe boy about six months of age. Said negroes not to be withdrawn from the estate until after the sale of the Plantation.

Item 5th It is my will and desire that the plantation on which I now live be kept up by my Executors until within opinion it would be best for the Estate to sell it. The proceeds of the sale of the plantation and perishable property or so much of it as is necessary shall be set apart as a fund for the Education & Support of my children. That portion of the fund remaining after the children shall all have been Educated, shall be equally divided among all the children so long as the Plantation is kept up. the family shall be supported from the proceeds of the farm. It shall be left to the discretion of my Executors how the Education of my children and the Support of my family may be most Effectually accomplished. They are also delegated with full power to remove my negroes to any County in this State or to any State wherever in the Opinion of my Executors the interest of the Estate would be increased.

Item 6th After the sale of the plantation the negroes shall be equally divided according to Value between my children due regard being paid as far as Practicable to the nonfunction of wives and Households. Small children and their parents with the Exception of the following negroes Rose old Woman and Virgil her son being entitled according to the will by which I came in Possession of them to two days in every week Sunday's Excepted or its equivalent at the division of the property these negroes must be valued according to this provision at which time also it is my will and desire that my wife receive fifteen hundred dollars from the proceeds of the sale of the land in lieu of right to draw in & to the plantation on which I now live.

Item 7th It is my will and desire that each of my children as he or she marries or attains majority shall be furnished with a bedstead that they bed and the clothing necessary given with food to be furnished by my Executors out of the fund set apart for the Education and Support of my children.

Item Eighth

It is agreed that there have been given to my eldest children Mary it wife of A. M. Minchley and Robert W. of Newton County State of Georgia shall not be taken into account in the division of the property they receiving an equal share with the others as if no property had been given them.

Item Ninth

I, Alexander Everett and of Newton County State of Georgia Execution to this my last will and Testament this July the 10th 1861

Signed sealed declared and published by Alexander Everett as his last will and Testament in the presence of us the undersigned who did verify an annexed Certificate in the presence of said testator and of each other this July 10th 1861

A. M. Minchley
R. W. Everett

State of Georgia } Before me John C. Corab, Notary Public for said County in Newton
Polk County } Personally appeared R. W. Everett and A. M. Minchley Executives of
the last will and Testament of Alexander Everett late of said County deceased, and
produced before me the last will and Testament of said deceased and one of the witnesses of
said will to wit A. M. Spalding which witnessing duly sworn depose and swear that he
saw Alexander Everett the testator sign and seal and publish the instrument now presented
as his last will and Testament freely voluntarily and of his own accord and without any
compulsion or influence whatever that at the time of the execution of said will said
testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory that different signed said
will as a witness in the presence of the testator and at his instance and request in the
presence of each other and that he saw the other subscribing witnesses sign the same

A. M. Spalding

Sworn to and subscribed before me this September

2nd 1861 John C. Corab Notary Public

Georgia } We R. W. Everett and A. M. Minchley do solemnly swear that the writing
Polk County } contains the true last will and Testament of said testator of of the within
named Alexander Everett deceased so far as we know or believe and that we will meet
and truly carry out the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said
will as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge us and that we
will make a true and faithful inventory of all such goods and chattels and keep us good

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Sept. 2nd 1861

A. M. Minchley
R. W. Everett