

In the name of God Amen I Berdsong
Burns being of sound and perfect mind & mem.
Blessed be God, do this day the ~~Twenty~~ second day
of February aforesaid hundred & forty nine years
and attain this my last will and Testament in
manner & form by I first give & bequeath my
soul to God who gave it & my body to be buried
in decent Christian burial, secondly I give
& bequeath unto my wife Sarah M Burns all my
property both real & personal during her natural
life or widowhood with the following exceptions
to wit I give one dollar each to all of Brothers
& sisters & after the death of my wife I give to my
step son George M Burns one half of the land
that I may die possessed of including the dwelling
house where I now reside & to my step daughter
Henrietta Burns I give the other half of the above
mentioned land I also give to George M Burns a
certain negro girl to wit Mary all my personal
property to be sold & equally divided between J M
Burns & Henrietta Burns by my Executors I do
hereby appoint my worthy Indian Tyson & Grand Jy
Executors to this my last will & Testament in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my
real the 22nd of Feb 1849

Test

Rodrick A. McIvor

Edwin L. Tyson

B. S. Burns

May Term 1854

The execution of the foregoing last will &
Testament of B. S. Burns was duly proven in open
court by the oath of Rodrick A. McIvor a subse-
quent witness & ordered to be recorded whereupon Jy
Tyson one of the Executors therein named appeared in person
and was duly qualified as such

Test W. J. Taylor & Co.