

49.5 claims from the adm ^r	\$ 4.90
" 6. " A Town pr	7.15
" 7 " young Melan vis	26.99
" 8 " W P Morris	6.60
" 9 " Francis Monroe	.78
" 10 note Levi Smith	9.28
" 11 claim N Towngen	1.00
" 12 G Towngen	2.50
	\$ 86.45

Pro rata as follows

J M Moses claim 31.51	Pro rata	\$ 12.44
J M Hayes " 7.13.48	"	281.90
James Ellis " 56.00	"	22.19
A. Gobett " 4.48	"	1.76
Administrator " 4.90	"	1.99
A Towngen " 7.15	"	2.80
Young Melan 26.99	"	10.66
W P Morris " 6.60	"	2.60
Francis Monroe .70	"	.27
Levi Smith 9.28	"	3.66
N Towngen " 1.00	"	39¢
G Towngen 2.50	"	98

All of which is Respectfully
submitted

W M McAuley Clerk

I, Willie Arnold of the County of Benton & State of Tennessee
knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die and
not knowing how soon death may come and having
desires of disposing of what ever of this world's goods
I possess while in my proper mind leaving at this time
in feeble health but sound in mind and memory
do make this my last will and testament revoking all
former wills by me at any time made as follows
To wit first I will to my daughter Mary Ann Melton
and negro woman by the name of Billah and negro boy
named Nelson and negro boy by the name of George
and I will to my daughter Betsy Melton and negro
boy by the name of Bile and by the name of
Nelly and negro girl by the name of Alice.
Third I will to my son Aaron Arnold

and negro boy by the name of Bile and by the
name of John and negro woman named Rhoda and
old negro woman by the name of Beto and I will
all by the name of Lewis Fawth I want all the
remaining property which I may be seized of sold
& all my debts are now collected and and then equally
divided between them that is my son & two daughters
Betsy and lastly I appoint my son Aaron Arnold
and my friends W M McAuley my executor to this my
last will and testament it is my desire that
funeral & all other necessary expenses be paid out
of money that I have in hand and that my grave
to gether with my wife be enclosed with 1000
wells & covered in with shingles This April the 11th
1860 } J. P. Arnold
Subj David Melton } Willie Arnold
mark

State of Tennessee Benton County
Whereas it appears to the Court here that Willie Arnold late
of said County is dead and hath made his last will & testament
in writing in which he hath appointed Aaron Arnold &
W M McAuley Executors to the same, which will hath been
exhibited into Court and proved as the law directs. It is
therefore ordered by the Court that Letters Testamentary of all
and singular the goods & chattels, rights and credits of the
said Willie Arnold deceased issue to the said Aaron Arnold
& W M McAuley They having been qualified to law -
These are therefore to empower you the said Aaron Arnold &
W M McAuley to enter into and upon all and singular the
goods and chattels rights & credits of the said Willie
Arnold dead, and the same into your possession take
whenever the same may be found and perfect inventory
thereof to make and return into our governing County court
and all just debts of the said Willie Arnold as to pay
and also well and truly to pay and deliver all the
legacies contained and specified in the said testament as
far as the said goods chattels and credits will thereunto
extend and the law charge you W M Jones
Clerk of our said court at office the first Monday in
May A.D. 1860

Mr Agnes Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County

To John Buchanan Citizen of Benton County.
It appearing to the County Court now in session that
Benjamin Packett has died leaving no will and
The Court being satisfied as to your claim to the
administration and you having given bond and
qualified as directed by law, and the Court having
ordered that letters of administration be issued to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower you
to take into your possession and control all the
goods and chattels, claims and papers of the said
estate, and return a true and perfect inventory
thereof to our County Court in three months
to collect and pay all debts and to do and
transact all the duties in relation to said
estate which lawfully devolves on you as
administrator and after having settled up
said estate to deliver the residue thereof to those
who are by law entitled. Witness W. A. Jones
Clerk of our said Court at office this 1st Monday
of June 1860 and 8th year of American Independ-
ence W. A. Jones Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County

This day being the 28th day of May 1860. J. M. Smith
Adm'r of the estate of J. J. Smith Dec'd made application
to make a final settlement with me W. A. Jones Clerk of
the County Court of Benton County aforesaid agreeable to
an act of the General Assembly in such cases made and
provided, after appearing before the return of the Sheriff of
Benton County that the heirs of said estate has been notified
five days before this date, which settlement I find to be as
follows.

I find the Adm'r should be charged
which was in his hands at last settlement the sum of \$20.63
I find Adm'r should be charged as
received from sale of land by decree
of Chancery Court the sum of 766.70
Rent collected from J. B. Barnes the sum of 3.90
Rent of land for 1857 " " 16.60
Total amt. charged \$257.83

No. Your heirs

1. Receipt from M. Williams for \$151.15
2. Tax Receipt for 1857 240
3. Receipt from widow for grain supplied 13.13
4. Acct W. C. Filla for 2.30

5. Acct on A. Corbett for \$36.85
6. Acpt for notice on H. Humberly for 26.00
J. S. Leake in solvent 1.00
Sheriff for notice on ex 1.50
Total audit \$187.98

Which have on the hands of the said J. M. Smith
Adm'r as aforesaid the sum of fifty six dollars
and eighty five cents \$56.85
All of which is respectfully

submitted

W. A. Jones, Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County

County Clerk's Office May 30th 1860 3 This day appeared
before me W. A. Jones, Clerk of the County Court of Benton
aforesaid James H. Bridge guardian of A. W. Watson a minor
heir of Samuel Watson Dec'd and made application to make set-
tlement as the statute in such cases made and provided.

Guardian reports nothing has come into his hands yet, and
reports that he has entered Suit Kentucky for his bond.

All of which is respectfully submitted

W. A. Jones, Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County

County Clerk's Office May the 28 1860 3
Then Isaac Anderson guardian of the minor heirs of
Henry Stigall dec'd made application to make settlement with
me W. A. Jones Clerk of the County Court of Benton County
aforesaid agreeable to an act of the General Assembly in such
cases made and provided which settlement I find to be as fol-
lows. viz

I find in the hands of Guardian
from a former settlement the sum of \$399.00
Paid out in the same the sum of 23.94

Total \$422.94

I find he should have the following

Credits, viz
Tax Receipt for 1857 .80
Receipt from W. A. Jones for
Merchandise, viz
Henry Stigall \$5.00
Henry Stigall furnished per Guard 1.00
J. B. Hamilton Stigall 5.00
E. Franklin Stigall 5.00
Lucinda Stigall 5.00
Peggy Jane Stigall 5.00
Melissa E. Stigall 5.00

I allow the Guardian for
trouble the sum of \$8.00
Clarks fee for making and
recording this settlement 1.90
\$41.70

Which leaves in the hand of
Guardian three hundred and eighty one
dollars and twenty four cents. The sum of \$381.24
All of which is respectfully submitted
W. A. Jones, Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County
County Clerk Office June 20th 1860
This day 20th June 1860 I, W. A. Jones, Clerk of the estate of
J. W. Spradling, dec'd made application to make settle-
ment with me W. A. Jones, Clerk of the County Court of
Benton County aforesaid agreeable to an act of the gen-
eral Assembly in such cases made and provided, which
settlement I find to be as follows, viz. I find the Adm^r
should be charged with amount of sale Books
and inventory as recorded in Book B,
pages 230 & 262, the sum of \$217.02
I find the Adm^r should have the
following credits, viz:
One note on George Cole Insolvent for \$7.75
One acct " J. B. Vanhook " 5.00
One Right " A. Wagoner to, H. C. for a claim
on F. Tolon for the sum of 1.00
Clarks fee for appointment letter and Bond 3.00
Clarks fee for Order Copy and recording
report of COM^r of Widow & family
years support. 1.00
I find the Adm^r should have a
Credit for rent of land for 1857
which he has not had time to collect the sum of 25.00
I allow the Adm^r for trouble in said
estate the sum of 25.10
For provisions furnished the Widow and
family which was ^{not} on hand or belonging
to the estate 47.00
Clarks fee for making order, Recording this
settlement and sale bills &c. 3.76
Inventory the sum \$734.51
Which leaves in the hands of Adm^r
the sum of ninety three dollars 51^{cts}
The Adm^r reports that he has filed a
bill in the Chancery Court for Camden
suggesting the nullity of said estate

and also praying for a sale of the lands of said
estate and here file the following claims against said
estate viz.

Approved account from A. Capett with interest from
21st July 1857 for \$6.00
A proven acct from Menzies & Manly
with interest from 12th April 1860 for 16.62
A proven acct from J. C. Manly with
interest from 12th April 1860 for 15.00
Approved acct from J. C. Menzies & Brothers
with interest from 28th July 1860 for 4.20
Approved acct from J. J. White with
interest from 21st June 1860 1.00
Approved acct from J. W. Matlock
interest from 8th Dec 1858 for 1.25
A Judgt from Britt & Brothers with
interest from 9th April 1859 for debt 41.00
Cost on same 1.00
A Judgt from J. F. Woods with interest
from 22nd July 1860 debt 22.89
Cost on same 1.00
A Judgt from John F. Wood on trust
from 22nd July 1860 debt 48.70
Cost on same 1.50
One note due Presley Thornton due the
1st Jan 1857 for \$75.00 with credited the 13th
July 1857 with \$5.00 besides interest, the sum of 24.20
One note from J. C. Breward due 16th Jan 1857
for \$12.00 with a credit of \$6.00 the 17th July
1858 besides interest, the sum of 6.00
One note from Mc Troy due 25th April 1858 for
\$13.20, credited the 27th April 1858 with 4.00
which leave besides interest the sum of 33.20
One note from H. H. McClure due 1st Jan 1859
for the sum of 27.08
One note from Menzies & Ranney due
1st Jan 1858 for the sum of 39.07
One note from George Ellison due the 31st
Dec 1858 for the sum of 13.00
\$501.71

Which shows that said estate is ~~not~~ in
debt the sum of two hundred and eight dollars
and twenty cents

All of which is Respectfully
Submitted

W. A. Jones, Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County 3

This day being the 4th day of May 1860 J. F. Cooper Guardian for Andrew J. Beale minor heir of Garthland Beale Deed made application to make settlement with me W. A. Jones Clerk of the County Court of Benton County aforesaid; agreeable to an act of the general assembly in such cases made and provided, which settlement I find to be as follows: viz I find on the hand of said Guardian from last settlement ~~the sum of~~

The sum of \$21,71 1/2
Interest 1,50

Vouchers \$23 1/2
I allow the Guardian for trouble \$1,00
Clerk Jones for this settlement 1,00
Which leave on the hand of \$21,01 1/2
Guardian the sum of
All of which is respectfully submitted

W. A. Jones, Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County 3

This being the 14 day of May 1860 J. F. Cooper Guardian of the minor heirs of John W. Wolf Deed made application to make settlement with me W. A. Jones Clerk of the County Court of Benton County aforesaid agreeable to an act of the general Assembly in such cases made and provided which settlement I find to be as follows: I find on the hand of guardian from last settlement

The sum of \$21,17
Interest 1,27

Vouchers \$22,44
I allow guardian for trouble \$1,00
Clerk for this settlement 1,00

Which leaves on the hands of said guardian the sum of \$20,21
All of which is respectfully submitted

W. A. Jones, Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County 3

Third Sale Bill of B. H. Fox Great Lilly Crocker Admin of B. H. Fox Deed Sold on par of Saddle bags in the Term of Court on the 4th day of June 1860 Thomas Arnold beam purchaser at two dollars, The third inventory known to before me

Lilly Crocker

W. A. Jones Clerk

A list of property sold at the residence of W. A. Arnold Deed on the 8th day of May 1860

Purchasers	Articles sold	
J. M. McAllen	Shade B Shovel	15
D. J. McAllen	Do Do	85
J. E. Feltz	1 Shade	55
Do Do	1 Iron	85
J. S. Hudson	1 Iron Wedge	25
J. E. Feltz	Do	15
D. J. McAllen	3 Augers	60
D. J. McAllen	2 Chisels	40
W. H. McAllen	Saw Knife & C	50
E. H. McAllen	Single Saw & Chisels	25
W. A. McAllen	1 Hoe	45
J. E. Feltz	1 Do	1,00
W. A. McAllen	1 Do	40
D. J. McAllen	2 Working hoes	45
Do Do	Do Do	50
E. H. McAllen	Do Do	60
John McAllen	2 Chisels	25
D. J. McAllen	Star Bell	20
E. H. McAllen	Cracked Do	55
W. A. McAllen	Wrought Ironing Plow	1,90
J. S. Landon	1 Do	1,00
Berry McAllen	1 Do	25
D. J. McAllen	Big Pioneer plow	30
Barney Brasley	Wrought Plow	50
R. H. Reed	old Pioneer Plow	10
J. S. Landon	Shovel & Cotter	30
W. A. McAllen	Do	25
J. S. Landon	Cast Plow	4,00
J. E. Feltz	Do	4,00
A. G. Hudson	By Deed	25
W. A. Hudson	new turning Plow	1,55
John J. Liddle	Harness	10
N. H. Jewett	Pair Trace Chains	40
W. A. McAllen	Leg Chain	70
J. E. Feltz	Do	1,00
Do Do	Pair Shovel chains	50
Do Do	Do Do	80
Do Do	Set Plow bar	1,10
D. J. McAllen	1 Do	50
Do Do	1 Do	1,00
Agus Hall	1 Do	1,50
W. A. McAllen	Plow & Emory combs	50
C. H. Bunting	Board &	50
W. A. McAllen	Sickle	15

Ch. H. Bethony	Hook Iron	55
J. W. Mutton	Blacksmiths Tools	17.00
J. E. Totty	Sharp Shins & Pigger	1.75
J. W. Mutton	Pigger & C	25
John J. Gable	Churn & C	40
B. Venter	Tray & Siver	75
W. H. Mutton	Sea Kettle	25
J. B. Robinson	Pickling Jar & C	30
J. E. Totty	Iron Lid & Hooks	1.25
Do Do	Do Do	50
Do	Kiln & Lid	85
J. W. Mutton	Oven & Lid	85
Wm. Mutton	Fryingpan & Baker	15
J. W. Mutton	Dinner Pot	75
Wm. Mutton	Fire Shovel	25
J. E. Totty	Flat Iron	10
Do	Do	20
Barrel Saddle	Mrough fire Iron	10
E. B. Mutton	Shug	30
E. Mutton	Sturdyards	2.15
Age. Ball	Man Saddle & Bridle	9.00
Wm. Mutton	Saddle Saddle	12.25
Wm. Mutton	Man Saddle & Bridle	3.25
J. E. Totty	Shining Whiff	3.95
J. W. Mutton	Do	4.00
Bury Venter	Do	1.70
J. E. Totty	Chack Pul	1.25
Ufred. Buma	Fire Table	1.25
James Pafford	Coffee Mill	55
J. E. Totty	Loam	5.00
J. A. M. Eliza	153 th floor & Sack	5.80
James Pafford	140 Do Do	5.55
A. R. Mutton	130 Do "	2.95
J. R. Mutton	Sack Cause Flour	30
A. R. Mutton	Do Do	1.05
J. A. M. Eliza	2 sack & Corn	65
J. W. Mutton	Moral Sack	30
J. E. Totty	Shed Gun & Punch	16.50
Do	Wheat Fan	2.00
Do	Wheat Thresher	155.00
R. H. Wood	Syath & Cradle	1.05
J. E. Totty	Do	1.90
Do	Mowing Knife	80
E. Mutton	Croft Cut saw	5.00
Wm. Mutton	Kettle	1.50
B. V. Mutton	Samel Mare & Cott	126.55
J. M. Mutton	Samel Mare Sack	116.00
J. E. Totty	Samel Mare Mule	150.00

Harriet Mutton	small horse mule. Cyp	115.00
J. W. Mutton	Black Mare Mule	151.00
Thomas Bealy	Read Wagon	57.00
Harriet Mutton	Yoke Oxen	49.00
Do Do	Do	50.00
A. J. Corbett	one Bull	9.25
Do Do	Largest Stear	13.40
Oliver Mutton	Mother David Sheep	18.65
Wm. Mutton	Wooly Cow	15.00
J. R. Mutton	Black Cow	10.00
Willie Mutton	Largest Sheep	10.15
Stephen Blanchard	not Largest do	7.20
Do Do	Do Do	4.25
Do Do	Largest Bull yearling	5.70
Do Do	Small Do	2.80
Angaly Mutton	5 stone & 1/2 Pigs	8.35
Do Do	5 barrel Hogs	21.00
Do Do	5 2 ^d Do	18.00
Do Do	5 2 ^d Do	7.00
J. R. Mutton	Balance for head 175	14.00
J. E. Totty	Thin Cow & Calf	16.50
Lat. Mutton	Cow Calf & Bull	17.50
A. J. Corbett	all the Muttons for head 160	14.40
R. H. Wood	1 st choice of ewes & lambs	10.30
George Mutton	2 ^d Do do	8.25
Do Do	Remnant for head	90
J. E. Totty	34 head pigs	120.00
David Mutton	7 Do do	25.50
J. H. Mutton	1 Box Stand	3.50
J. E. Totty	1 Do	4.05
Do	Grind Stone	1.85
J. B. Mutton	meal for Bunk 101	13.65
B. Venter	Sack & Bran	1.75
Samuel Mutton	5 Bushels Wheat	6.30
Do Do	5 Do do	6.40
Do Do	5 do do	7.00
Do Do	10 do do	14.00
Do Do	10 " "	15.00
Do Do	10 " "	15.00
Do Do	Balance for bunk 105	28.64
Joseph Mutton	Heaf Barrel Mutton	14.15
E. Mutton	3 Boxes	1.00
J. E. Totty	2 do	20
Do Do	4 do	50
Do Do	1 Barrel & Bran	25
P. M. Mutton	1 Barrel & Pas	50
Do Do	8 Empty Barrels	50
David Mutton	4 Hogs heads	50

P. M. Melton	3 Sacks	30
Liam Melton	1 Barrel	65
P. M. Melton	5 Barrels Corn	22.50
Wm. Melton	5 do do	24.00
H. J. Lashley	5 do do	23.50
J. H. Rogers	5 do do	23.00
Burrell Wilson	5 do do	22.75
Marcellus Cain	5 do do	22.75
R. A. Adams	5 do do	22.75
H. C. Brown	5 do do	22.75
Henry Stigall	5 do do	23.30
J. E. Tully	5 do do	23.00
Wm. Hurlingham	5 do do	23.25
J. E. Tully	5 do do	22.75
H. J. Lashley	5 do do	23.00
Thomas, Knapley	5 do do	23.00
J. E. Tully	5 do do	23.00
Do Do	300 Binde Padder	7.05
P. M. Melton	300 do do	6.75
Samuel Holland	300 do do	6.90
Do Do	300 do do	7.20
Burrell Wilson	300 do do	6.90
David Pofford	Balance Padder for hundred 220	2.58
James Arnold	1 Black	5.10
E. H. Melton	1 Beauvais	22.25
Do Do	Spunout Bedstead	8.10
J. E. Tully	1 Prop	15.10
William Melton	Folding Table	5.50
J. E. Tully	Lot Sundries	1.45
Ans. W. Melton	1 Mirror	.25
Wm. Melton	Coff. Pot & Churn	1.50
James S. Hendon	Bole Leather	1.10
P. M. Melton	Crop Cut-down	1.00
Do Do	2 Am	.25
Do Do	2 do	.25
Do Do	2 do	.75
David Pofford	1 do	1.50
William Pofford	remains of Corn for Board 390	107.44
Ans. W. Melton	on Felling Op	1.10
J. E. Melton	one do do	1.50
P. M. Melton	Flourish	.50
Ans. W. Melton	Candle Stand	1.10
J. E. Tully	Saddle Bags	3.65
A. J. Lashley	10 lbs lint Cotton	1.10
P. M. Melton	10" do	1.25
W. V. V. V.	10" do	1.30
T. M. Melton	Remains Cotton for 12 1/2	4.25
J. E. Tully	4 Winter Churns	4.25

P. M. Melton	1/2 Chains	23.00
J. E. Tully	Water Bucket	.80
Alfred Brown	Box Nails 46	1.85
J. E. Tully	Box Soap	1.75
David Melton	Iron Iron	1.50
Wm. Melton	1 Basket 46	.20
Alfred Brown	Shoe Tools 46	1.10
J. E. Tully	Plaster Chains	.75
P. M. Melton	2 Sacks	.25
John Arnold	5 Empty Barrels 46	.25
J. E. Tully	1 Bucket 46	.30
C. B. Holland	2 sitting Chains	.15
W. V. V.	65 lbs Tobacco for 4 1/2	2.45
Joseph Melton	one Chain	.25
P. M. Melton	1 Legation	.25
J. H. Melton	1 Bottle 46	.15
J. J. Lashley	1 Bottle 46	.20
Alfred Melton	on file	.25
A. Brown	Bucket & Tap	.50
P. M. Melton	4 Tar Buckets	1.00
Do Do	23 lbs Tallow	1.95
Benny Weston	Barrel & Salt	1.00
Do Do	Do Do	.85
Dania Melton	Do Do	.20
Wm. Melton	Tray of Soap	1.15
P. M. Melton	Tray of Soap	1.00
J. E. Tully	Tray of Soap	3.05
J. E. Tully	two saw files	2.90
P. M. Melton	Lot of Coal	.05
Murieth Corbett	Basinet	.10
Albert Hawley	A Lot of Ducks	1.00
J. E. Tully	Lot of Chickens	1.05
J. E. Tully	some Horse manure	109.50
Wm. Melton	Wheat sieve	.45
Benny Weston	6 Bushels trash corn	2.40
Do Do	4 Do Do Do	1.60
Ephraim Arnold	9 Do Do Do	3.60
P. M. Melton	old Wagon Tire	1.93
		\$ 2304.50

The following is a list of notes & acfts
money on hand &c

money on hand	1313.45
one note on Trunchin Taylor due 23 Dec 1859 doubtful	3.82
one note on H. D. Browning due 1 st January 1855 for bearing interest from 1 st Jan 1854	50.00
one note on A. Keyser due 15 th May 1859 for	70.50
one note on John Higdon due 2 nd Aug 1859 for	5.10
one note on J. A. Browning due 2 nd Browning due 1 st Jan 1854	6.00

note on Leroy Briggs due 25th Decr 1854 for 20.00
 " " W P Lashlee & P Holland due 25th Decr 1854 for 10.00
 " " W L Thomson & W M McAuley due 14th May 1855 for 950.00
 " " Do Do Do 80.00
 Receipt on J H Warren & S Co for a note on
 A B Thomson & A J Thomson due 27th May 1854 for 150.00
 Receipt on W P Lashlee & S Co for a note on Lightfoot
 & McPherson due 26th March 1855 for 50.00
 Receipt on D Brewer & S Co for a note on
 Lightfoot & S Co due 26th Decr 1854 for 50.00
 Receipt on W P Lashlee & S Co for a note on
 Wm Barker for 11.05
 one acct on W McButcher for 14.00
 " " J J Wisman 4.00
 " " B Dwyer 80
 " " E Arnold 1.23
 " " Anderson 8.00
 " " Reuben Dwyer 2.75
 " " J M Moses 0.50

\$5149.33

We certify that the fore going to be
 a true inventory & sale Bill of the estate
 of Willie Arnold Decd. so far as come to
 our hands as Executors on the whole except
 a Lot of Bacon & Land & Beds &c which
 was divided amongst the heirs and did not
 come into our hands as Executors. There is
 something coming for part of pay for
 Tobacco tho we do not know the amt as
 yet but will report the same when we
 ascertain the amt. This 4th June 1860

W M McAuley } Executors
 Aaron Arnold }

Sworn to before me
 W A Jones Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County Clerk's Office Jan
 30th 1860 This day being Wm S Corbett Executor of
 Arthur Pitt decd made application to make settlement
 with me W A Jones Clerk of the County Court of said
 County agreeable to an act of the general Assembly of
 State of Tennessee in such cases made and provided
 and it appears from the return of the Sheriff John H
 Farmer the heirs had been legally notified of the time &
 place of the said settlement I have proceeded to make
 the same and find it as follows to wit:

I find the Executor from sale bill and inventory
 as recorded in Book B B page 251

Charged with the sum of
 Executor's report as received since
 the date of said sale bill the sum of
 six hundred and sixty two dollars and twelve cts total, **\$662.12**

I find the Executor should have the
 following credits to wit:
 Settlement paid Wm S Corbett for bond
 Lites and Copy and order of appraisement

And probate & copying Will the sum of \$4.00
 Taxes on land for 1858 1.75
 Taxes on land for 1859 1.60
 For set off on the Wm S Corbett debt 17.25
 For set off on the Wm S Corbett debt 8.40
 Bought from Isaiah Pitt 400.00
 Provision acct from B. Hump 1.75
 I allow Executor for trouble 50.00
 Clerk for Order and recording
 Inventory and sale bill .50
 Making and recording this settlement 1.70
 Sheriff's Fees for notifying
 the heirs of the same 4.75
\$495.00

Which leaves in the hand of the said
 Executor, Wm S Corbett the sum of
 one hundred and sixty seven dollars
 and twelve cts
 All of which is respectfully submitted

W. A. Jones Clerk

State of Tennessee
 Benton County Clerk's Office Jan 19th 1860

A list of property sold Jan 16th 1860 of Benjamin Pitt
 Puckett decd

One drawing Knife & Chisel	W. A. Whitty	0.70
One Hand saw	Do Do	1.40
2 Axes	W. A. Whitty	1.10
1 Iron Auger	Edmond Pearce	.25
1 Iron Wedge	Do M. Farmer	.40
1 Iron Square	Do Miss	.40
Bedstead	Louisa Puckett	.50
Bed Iron	W. A. Whitty	.25
Iron Chain	L. D. Parker	.80
Lyth & Bradle	Wm. Black	.25
Dead Horse	W. A. Whitty	.10

1 Charles	Louisa Pickett	5.15
Wally Charles	John S. Cherry	7.12
Dwight Chap	Louisa Pickett	.15
7 Jacob	John Buchanan	7.40
Sharing Chap	Louisa Pickett	.5
4 Barrels	Louisa Pickett	.5
4	L. D. Parker	.50
State of Tennessee		\$23.07
Benton County		
That the above is a true and correct copy of the will and inventory of the estate of Benjamin Pickett Dec'd that has come to my knowledge; this July 24 th 1860		

W. H. Jones Clerk

John Buchanan, Adm'r

W. H. Jones

State of Tennessee

Benton County Clerk's office August 14th 1860
 This day personally appeared before me W. H. Jones, Clerk of the County Court of Benton County aforesaid, W. H. Goble administrator of the estate of Reuben Marchbanks, and made application to make settlement and state in account of said estate agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee in such cases made and provided, and it appearing that Reuben Marchbanks John Marchbanks Thomas Marchbanks Reuben Marchbanks wife Rebecca Jane, Joseph L. Goble wife Mary, Jackson Goble wife Eliza, Thomas Casley wife Martha, and Elizabeth Aden have been notified for more than five days before this date of the intended taking and stating an account of said estate, as shown by the return of said Goble which is sworn to. I therefore proceeded to take the same which I find to be as follows, viz:
 I find in the hands of said Adm'r W. H. Goble, as recorded in Book B, page 240 the sum of \$128.71.

I allow the Adm'r the following credits
 Amount paid the widow & family for years support The sum of \$47.75
 Amt. paid clerk McAulley for order of appointment. Bond. Letter & copy 3.00
 for clerk fee for order copy and recording report of Committee years support 1.00
 Proven acct. from W. P. Morris for 1.00
 Rec'd from B. H. Lightfoot Registrar for 1.30
 Tot receipt for 1858 for 1.25
 Tot receipt for 1859 for .50

Proven acct. from M. S. Travis for \$10.00
 Proven acct. " B. H. Wray " 14.95
 Proven acct. " McDaniel & Kelly " 1.35
 Amt. paid for finishing crop gathering estate
 The sum of 7.35
 Upon the affidavit of Thos. Casley of allow the Adm'r Credit for the amt. against R. H. Roberts for crop seed 40.75
 clerk McAulley; fee for recording and order recording sale bill & inventory 40
 clerk for making and recording this settlement & order confirming same & notice to him 3.20
 \$134.78

Which shows the Adm'r has paid six dollars and 07 cents more than has come into his hands - All of which is respectfully submitted
 W. H. Jones clerk

W. P. Morris

State of Tennessee

Benton County Clerk's office July 7th 1860
 This day James P. Morris Administrator of the estate of Reuben Marchbanks, made application to make settlement with me W. H. Jones, clerk of the County Court of Benton County aforesaid - agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly in such cases made and provided - which settlement I find to be as follows, viz:
 I find said Administrator James P. Morris from sale bill and inventory as recorded in Book B, page 232 & 23 the sum of 541.82
 Adm'r reports collected since date of sale bill 58.10
 7000.52

I find said Adm'r J. P. Morris should have the following credits to wit:
 clerk McAulley fee for Bond appointment. Letter & copy of letter the sum of \$3.00
 for recording and order confirming sale bill & inventory the sum of 75
 Receipt from J. H. Rushing for hauling corn in 1858 the sum of 2.50
 Proven acct. from John A. Heiber for 12.55
 Proven acct. " M. S. Travis " 5.40
 Proven acct. " B. H. Wray " 24.59
 Proven acct. " W. B. Rushing " 32.00
 Proven acct. " J. A. Heiber " 1.00
 Receipt from J. P. Morris Attorney " 25.00
 Receipt from A. R. Heiber " 20.90
 Proven acct from John Bell " 1.45

Proven Accts from W. P. Morris for	\$ 21.15
Tot Receipt for 1855	3.75
Proven Acct from R. A. Rushing for	30.00
Proven Acct from J. S. Wrayfield	8.00
Proven Acct from John Travis	6.42
Receipt from W. W. Warrack & Co.	120.00
Receipt from W. W. Warrack & Co.	53.08
Am't, paid Widow for years support	55.70
of said Adam, for trouble in said estate	50.00
block & fee for making Recording	
This settlement in order confirming	2.10
same	4.50
Shft. fee notice on y heirs	
	\$ 514.14

Which leaves in the hands
of said Administrator the sum
of nearly two dollars & 55 cents,
all of which is respectfully
submitted

W. A. Jones Clerk

Mr. Barnett's Estate,

State of Tennessee
Benton County Clerk's Office August 4th 1860
Thomas W. Wray one of the Administrators of
J. M. Barnett deceased made application to make
settlement with me W. A. Jones Clerk of the County
Court of said Benton County agreeable to an
Act of the General Assembly of the State of
Tennessee in such cases made and provided and
appearing from the return of John G. Farmer
Sheriff of Benton County that the heirs and
legates of said estate of the said J. M. Barnett and
have had more than five days notice of the time and
place of making this settlement. I have therefore
decreed to make the same which I find to
be as follows Viz, I find said Administrator
should be charged with the amount of sale bills
and inventory recorded in Book B, pages
245 and 270 The sum of \$ 1562.85

I find said Administrator
should have the following credits -
block & audy's fee for order of appointment
Bona fides or copy letter and expenses
of sitting apart widow & family of
deceased years support \$ 5.00
Shft Farmer's fee for Notice to heirs \$ 1.50

J. H. Wray Adm'r of J. M. Barnett D. B.

block fee for Recording and order	
confirming sale bills & inventory	75
block fee for order confirming and	
Recording & sale bill	50
The Administrator Deports that can	
learn nothing of the claims mentioned	
in the receipt of John Stewart of the	
State of Arkansas and therefore I allow	
him credit for the same which claims	
are as follows viz,	
Acct on Wm Thompson for	6.00
note on J. M. Thumblton "	7.00
Acct on Jim Harts "	2.00
" " Nathaniel Gregory "	3.50
" " John Ruess "	12.00
" " Robert Mann "	3.00
" " Elias Dood "	1.75
" " Lee Burges "	2.50
" " Wm Moore "	2.50
" " H. Walburn "	9.00
" " L. Prince "	1.00
" " Joseph Lively "	6.50
" " Thomas Johnson "	1.15
" " Daniel Moore "	4.50
" " M. Thompson "	3.00

I find said Adam, has paid the
following claims against said estate
and therefore allow him credit for
the same which claims are as follows viz

Proven Acct from W. P. Morris for	7.45
State to W. P. Morris for	58.64
Receipt from W. Walley & Co.	37.43
" " W. H. Tuttle & Co.	5.20
Proven Acct from A. Lashley for	2.50
" " Eli Connelly "	3.50
Note " J. Woods "	7.40
Affidavit for a lost note by A. J. Barnett	22.50
Proven Acct from A. J. Barnett for	7.00
" " " Thompson & Mcduley for	4.00
" " " A. P. Hall "	6.48
" " " A. G. Smith "	65.45
Tot Receipt for 1855 to B. S. Dally & Co.	100.00
Proven Acct from A. J. Barnett for	4.50
An order accepted by account and	
drawn on Thompson & Mcduley for	4.00
Proven Acct from Williams & Sonny for	6.15

J. H. Wylie Admr of J. M. Barnett D^{es}

Proven A/ct from M. S. Travis for	\$ 6.12
Note to Maho Lusk	1.00
" " " " " " " " " "	10.45
" " " " " " " " " "	16.15
" " " " " " " " " "	62.92
Proven A/ct from M. M. Auley	14.59
" " " " " " " " " "	37.79
" " " " " " " " " "	11.61
Receipt " Isaac Amerson	5.00
The Administrator reports The following claims insolvent for which I allow him credit being	
A/ct on W. N. Bellew for	1.00
Note " George Parks	1.50
A/ct " Herman Co	1.00
A/ct " Thomas McMillen	2.50
" " " " " " " " " "	4.50
" " " " " " " " " "	5.00
" " " " " " " " " "	5.00
" " " " " " " " " "	5.00
" " " " " " " " " "	4.50
Note on J. M. Leamy	5.50
" " " " " " " " " "	5.00
" " " " " " " " " "	5.00
" " " " " " " " " "	2.00
Staff costs on insolvents claims above	5.00

I find the Admr intitled to credit on the following claims by set off being	
Payment by set off against A. Lynch for	50
" " " " " " " " " "	9.00
" " " " " " " " " "	3.00
" " " " " " " " " "	8.00
" " " " " " " " " "	1.00
" " " " " " " " " "	6.00
" " " " " " " " " "	1.00

I find the Admr has paid off the following notes and accounts against said Estate and I allow him credit for the same being

Note to W. H. John & J. H. Wylie Esctrs	126.00
" " " " " " " " " "	138.00
" " " " " " " " " "	45.70
Proven A/ct " M. C. Moody	91.25
" " " " " " " " " "	18.00
Paid for August & burial expenses	14.10
Got Receipt for 185 g	3.60
Receipt from W. H. Wylie Esctrs	10.29

The Admr also reports the following claims insolvent and I allow him credit for the same being

A/ct against John Dancer for	\$ 7.50
" " " " " " " " " "	8.50
I allow The Admr, J. H. Wylie for trouble in said Estate the sum of	50.00
Cash for making Recording and order confirming this settlement	6.55
Receipt from W. H. Wylie Esctrs for	60.84
Proven A/ct from W. H. Wylie Esctrs	5.43
Receipt to Green Bible for	36.49
Willows years support	224.00
Proven A/ct from J. H. Wylie	3.00
	\$ 1303.51

Which leaves in the hands of said Admr J. H. Wylie the sum of one hundred and ninety nine dollars and 34 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents \$199.34 $\frac{3}{4}$ All of which is respectfully submitted
W. A. Jones Clerk

(B⁷) Inventory of J. M. Barnett,

State of Tennessee Benton County
This is the B⁷ Inventory and sale bill of J. M. Barnett D^{es}. The Amount of sale of Tobacco mentioned in the second sale bill at five dollars per hundred lbs is the sum of one hundred and eighty one dollars and 50 cents. For the hire of slaves for 1860 two hundred and seventeen dollars.

Total 398.50
I certify that the foregoing contains a full true and correct inventory and sale bill and the above is all that has come into my hands or that I know of or that has come into the hands of proprietor of any person for me - this 4 August 1860
J. H. Wylie Admr
Sworn to
W. A. Jones Clerk

Inventory of J & Merrett and

State of Tennessee Benton County

Inventory of J & Merrett and

Recd. from Wm Wadley clerk of Commission The sum of forty six dollars and 70 cents. The proceeds of the sale of lands sold by order of the County Court of Benton County this 6th 1860

I certify that the foregoing amount is all that has come into my hands or any other persons for me this 6th August 1860

Sworn to

W A Jones clerk

Subscribed and sworn to
J & Merrett and

State of Tennessee Benton County

To Joel Tedder a citizen of Benton County

It appearing to the County Court now in session that Jackson Watley has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond and qualified as one elected by law and the Court having ordered that letters of Administration be given to you: These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods chattels claims and papers of the said ~~deceased~~ estate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our County Court in three months to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said estate which lawfully devolved on you as administrator and after having settled up said estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled. Witness W A Jones clerk of our said Court at office this 6th day of August 1860 and 85th year of American Independence W A Jones clerk

b H. W. g. guar. settlement

State of Tennessee

Benton County Clerk's office July 20th 1860

This day b H. W. g. guardian of Martha Lamb's formerly Martha Heinnant. bally Jane Heinnant. Nancy Ann Heinnant and Henry b Heinnant minor heirs of Henry Heinnant decd, made application to make settlement with me W A Jones clerk of the County Court of Benton County upon an agreeable to an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee in such cases made and provided which settlement I find to be as follows viz,

I find in the hands of said Guardian from last settlement due Martha Lamb's formerly Martha Heinnant

The sum of	\$ 348.31
Interest on same for twelve months	20.90
Aggregated amount	\$ 369.21

I find he should have the following credits viz
An acct with guardian for merchandise

The sum of	\$ 27.99
for my haul by order of County Court	
for provisions	25.45
I allow Guardian for trouble	7.50
clerk fee for making & recording this settlement	1.10
	\$ 62.10

Which leaves in the hands of said Guardian due Martha Lamb's formerly Martha Heinnant

The sum of	\$ 309.11
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I find in the hands of said Guardian due bally Jane Heinnant from last settlement

The sum of	\$ 419.02
Interest on the same for one year	25.14
	\$ 444.16

I find said Guardian should have the following credits as paid for said bally Jane Heinnant viz

An acct with guardian for merchandise	\$ 30.87
The sum of	
Amount paid by order of County Court	
for provisions	25.45
I allow Guardian for trouble	7.50
clerk fee for making & recording this settlement	1.10
The sum of	\$ 64.92

Which leaves in the hands of said Guardian due said bally Jane Heinnant the sum of \$ 379.18

6th Wylly guar. Settlement - concluded from page 371

I find in the hands of 6th Wylly guar. are his
 aforesaid from last settlement due Nancy Ann Hermann
 the sum of \$ 453.74
 Interest on same for one year the sum of 27.23
 Total \$ 480.97

I find said guar. 6th Wylly should
 have as paid for said Nancy Ann Hermann
 the following credits viz
 an acct. with 6th Wylly for merchandise
 the sum of \$ 27.92
 Amount paid by order of county
 court for provisions the sum of 25.45
 I allow Guar. for trouble 7.50
 Clerk's fee for making and
 recording this settlement and order
 confirming the same the sum of 1.10
 \$ 62.03

Which leaves in the hands of said Guar. 6th Wylly
 are the said Nancy Ann Hermann the sum of \$ 418.94

I find in the hands of 6th Wylly
 guar. as aforesaid from last settlement due
 Henry L Hermann the sum of 450.77
 Interest on same for one year the sum of 27.04
 Total \$ 477.81

I find said Guar. should have the
 following credits as paid for the said
 Henry L Hermann viz
 an acct. with 6th Wylly for merchandise the sum of \$ 23.90
 Amount paid by order of county court
 for provisions the sum of 25.45
 I allow Guar. for trouble 7.50

I allow Guar. for making order
 confirming and recording the
 settlement the sum of 1.10
 58.07

Which leaves in the hands of said
 guar. 6th Wylly are the said
 Henry L Hermann the sum of \$ 419.74
 All of which is respectfully
 submitted
 W A Jones Clerk

Mary Horn's Guardian Settlement

State of Tennessee
 Benton County Clerk's office July the 24th 1860
 This day personally appeared before me
 W A Jones Clerk of the County Court of said Benton County
 Mary Horn guardian of said Little and made
 application to make settlement agreeable to an Act of
 the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee in such
 cases made and provided which settlement I find to
 be as follows I find in the hands of said
 Guardian Mary Horn from last settlement dated the
 19th day of July 1856 and recorded in Book B, page
 229 the sum of \$ 41.01
 Interest on same for two years the sum of 40.92
 Total \$ 81.93

I allow the Guardian Mary Horn, the
 following credits viz
 I allow the Guardian for boarding
 and taking care of her ^{son} ~~ward~~
 who is a child the sum of \$ 100.00
 Clerk's fee for same .10
 I allow for making and
 recording this settlement 1.50
 order confirming same 25
 \$ 102.75
 Paid from Dr J M Thomas 3.00
 \$ 105.75

Which leaves in her hands the sum of \$ 276.18
~~and over~~ two hundred and seventy six dollars and 18 cts.
 All of which is respectfully submitted
 W A Jones Clerk

Asaon Sander's Guardian Settlement

State of Tennessee
 Benton County Clerk's office August the 6th 1860
 This day personally appeared before me W A Jones, Clerk
 of the County Court of Benton County aforesaid Asaon -
 Sander guardian of the minor heirs of Molton Merrick and
 wife Malinda William Hawthorn - Jones & Elizabeth
 and who made application to make settlement agreeable
 to an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee
 in such cases made and provided which settlement I
 find to be as follows To wit: I find said guardian
 has received nothing as yet but has obtained a
 Judgment against Green Flowers and Mrs Barnes
 the sum of \$ 1000 and for about five hundred

dollars. I find said Guardian has paid out
the following amounts viz
For Bond & appointment \$ 1.00
Globe for for machinery recording and
order confirming this settlement 1.65
2.65

Which shows that said Guardian
has paid more than has come into his hands
The sum of \$2.65
all of which is respectfully
submitted

W. A. Jones Clerk

State of Tennessee Benton County
To All Tax Citizens of Benton County
It appearing to the Court now in session that
said Guardian has died leaving no will and
the court having satisfied as to your claim
to the administration and your having given
bond and qualified as executor of said land
and the court having ordered that letters
of administration be issued to you
I therefore this day do authorize and empower
you to take in to your possession and
control all the goods chattels and papers
of the said decedent and return a true and
perfect inventory thereof to our court
in three months to exhibit and pay all debts
and to do and transact all the duties in
relation to said estate which lawfully devolve
on you as administrator and after having
settled up said estate to deliver the residue
thereof to those who are by law entitled
whereof Wm Mc and Clark of our said court
at office this 6th day of June 1857 & 84 your
American Surety

Wm Mc and Clark

A list of money & claims of John Mack Henry Dec
A claim on B. Wagners 3.10
Money received 12.00

I certify the above is all that has come \$15.10
into my hands or the hands of any
other person for me belonging to said
estate This B. F. Sept 1860

A. M. Graham Sumner

Sworn to
W. A. Jones Clerk

We The under signed of Benton County
after being duly sworn have proceeded to set
apart to Elizabeth H. Atley widow of Jackson
Healey deceased so much of the crop and
provisions as have or will be sufficient in
our opinions to support her and her family
one year from the death of her said husband
we set apart for said purposes following articles
to wit the 11th day of Aug 1860 -
Thirty Barrels of Corn - Four hundred pounds
of Flour - one thousand pounds of pork
Fifty pounds of lard - Six hundred lines of
prayer - Fifty pounds of Coffee - Fifty pounds
of sugar - Twelve gallons of molasses - one
barrel of salt - one pound of pepper - one
pound of spice - one pound of ginger and
two pounds of soda - to the right.

J. W. Garbrough
Shumwood Luper

In the name of God Amen - I William Hues of the
County of Benton and State of Tennessee, being of sound
mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this
earth and transitory life, do make ordain publish the de-
clares this to be my last will and Testament
That is to say: First after all my lawful debts are paid and
discharged, The residue of my real and personal, I give be-
queath and dispose of as follows: To wit. I give and bequeath
to my beloved wife the land known as the south half in-
cluding all the improvements during her lifetime or widow-
hood for the benefit of her and my beloved son William
Randolph. And at her death or the expiration of her widow-
hood my son William Randolph, I also bequeath to my be-
loved daughter Lucinda Beata Mary Crutcher & worthy of
the other half of my land on the north side, I also bequeath to
my son Benjamin Randolph this one soul three year old mare
I furthermore bequeath to my beloved wife and son William
Randolph one black horse nine years old, one black face
year old colt, also two cast fowls and shoul fowls and two sets
of gear, three weeding hoes and one grubbing hoe, also three
choice milk cows and calves, one choice goat of ewe and wags
on, ten head of sheep, also three sows and fourteen shoats
and fifteen killing hogs, also fifty barrels of corn
all the supply that in two fields at these choice feather-
beds Bedsteads and clothing, one bureau one folding bed
capable sufficiency of cooking utensils water buckets all the
chains also all the wheat I possess also one spinning wheel

and from all the implements belonging to them. I also give bequeath and devise all the residue and remainder, of my real and personal estate to widow and heirs who may be living at the time of my decease to share and share alike. Likewise I make and appoint my respected friend Gachariah Childers to executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the third day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty

William Fisher

The above written instrument was subscribed to By the above William Fisher in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at the same time published ^{and read} the above instrument so subscribed to be his last will and testament and we at the testators request, and in his presence have signed our names and respective places of residence

Thomas E. Andrews Benton County Tenn.
R. J. Bomer Benton County Tenn.

W.F.

In the name of God, Amen
I John Anderson make this my last will and testament. It is my will for wife Elizabeth Anderson to have all of my real estate and personally her life time and then at her death it is my will for all of the estate to be equally divided between Catherine Shindle Marian Swindle M. C. Anderson, Pease Anderson, J. C. Anderson Elizabeth Smiddle & Enock Anderson's part to be equally divided between John H. Anderson Camille Anderson heirs of Enock Anderson and Seney Anderson my daughter to have fifty dollars more than any of the above named children also my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my estate and Pease Anderson executor of this will this 13 day of March A.D. 1869

John Anderson

W. M. Davidson

M. E. Anderson

I Mathew Williams do make and publish this as my will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I direct that all my debts should be paid as soon after my death as at all convenient and the rest of my estate to be left entirely to the control of my wife Linacorth

and my daughter Minnie & Mary Ann Baines and that they have a right to consult with the Executor and sell such property as they see fit either publicly or privately but not to sell such property under its value. My land I will and bequeath to my wife and two daughters named above each of them to have an equal right to the same during my wife's lifetime but so that neither of them shall sell their interest in the same until the death of my wife and not then unless they both be agreed. I bequeath to my daughter Minnie the sum of fifty dollars to be paid in gold or silver at some convenient time when collected by my Executor. This amount is to be extra or above the others. June my second daughter died leaving three children, Geo. Morgan Morgan Charles Bryant Morgan, & Mathew Mitchell Morgan these three children to be equal sharers in my estate after the death of my wife, for of any proceeds which may be in the hands of my Executor not needed for the support of my family they have by having no right to contend for any of the land during my wife's lifetime, nor till the girls may agree to sell it. Louisa Morgan my third daughter to her I give an equal share with the rest of my children except the donation named above, her interest however is to subject to the same restrictions as the three Morgan children mentioned above. My daughter Mary Ann Baines and bodily heir or heirs, I will and bequeath an equal share with the rest of my children. Lastly I do appoint Geo. Bond as my Executor, in witness whereof I do to this my will & Testament set my hand and seal this Jan 8th 1861

William Adams Attor
George H. McAllman

Mathew Williams (seal)

I Ruben Bridges of The County of Benton and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, but weak in Body and Throwing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and wishing to dispose of my property and effects while living do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills that have heretofore been made by me. Which disposition I make as follows. Now I leave to my beloved wife Sarah all my lands and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging during her natural life. I also leave her all of my personal property, consisting in horses, cattle, hogs, household and kitchen furniture and various articles too tedious to mention, except so much thereof as it will take to pay my just debts, which I will shall be sold and my debts paid of. What property is sold I wish it to be property that my beloved wife thinks she can best do without. I give and bequeath to my son Hosea B. Bridges all that portion of my land, commencing at the North West corner of my tract of land and running east until it gets opposite a ~~crop~~ fence. It being the first crop fence east of said Hosea B.'s house and said line is to run in a Southern direction, in the direction said fence is running to said fence and with said fence to the creek then down the creek to the mouth of a large branch and then south to the south boundary line of my land. Then West including all of my lands West of said line. But said land is to remain in the possession of his mother during her natural life and at her death to belong to the said Hosea B. - I give and bequeath to my son Bennett W. Bridges all that portion of my lands commencing at the South E. corner of the portion above described for Hosea B. at the mouth of a large branch and run up the branch in a Northerly direction to the public Road and 10th North of East 25 poles then North until it strikes the road leading from my house to B. H. Poe's farm and then with said road to B. H. Poe's lands and then south and West with my line to

To the N. E. corner of Hosea B.'s lot then his east boundary to the beginning. But said land is to remain in the possession of his mother during her natural life and at her death to belong to the said Bennett W. The balance of my lands I give and bequeath to son Thimchen Riley Bridges and the balance of my personal property if any there be after paying my just debts and at the death of his mother - I give and bequeath to my son Thimchen Riley but said land and personal property is to remain in the possession of his mother during her natural life in which respect I have hereto set my ~~name~~ and affixed my seal this first day of September 1857 -

N.B. I appoint my son James H. Bridges and my friend Bennett Hollander my Executors to this my last will and Testament the day in year above written
 Executed in our presence
 This first day of September 1857

A. P. Poe
 Joseph Howell

N. H. Sarrett's Will

State of Tennessee
 Benton County I N. H. Sarrett of the County & State aforesaid, knowing that it is appointed unto all men to die and not knowing how soon death may come being at this time in feeble health but sound in mind and memory and being desirous of disposing of what sort of this world's goods I may be possessed of have thought proper to make this my last will and testament in writing & making void all former wills by me at any time made First it is my will and desire that all my just debts funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as practicable

Second It is my will and desire that my tract of land on which I have line by estimation 488 acres be sold some time in October 1867 to the highest bidder after having been advertised by my executor who hereafter named provided however if my mother should live until the time above named for the sale of my land I wish the sale delayed until after her death

I wish my land sold on a credit of twelve months by the payment being secured by a mortgage &c and the proceeds of my land when collected I wish divided as follows that is equally divided between my nephews Henry & Sarrett James N. Sarrett Jefferson & Sarrett Eliza & Thos. J. Sarrett John T. Dunder the latter only son of my sister Sarah Dunder & my niece Misourian Audine Sarrett &

Third It is my will and desire that my niece Misourian Audine Sarrett have one third of my estate which is called a life

Fourth I wish and desire that my executor who will hereafter be named have the management of my farm until sold to manage as he may think best and to see that my Mother is properly provided for so that she have a sufficient support during her life

Fifth It is my will & desire that the remainder of my property be sold & the proceeds equally divided between those who are named in the division of the proceeds of my land and if any one of those who is before named as beneficiaries in this will should die without issue then the amount be left to them to be equally divided amongst the others who receive under this will. It is my wish and I hereby appoint Wm. D. Auley to take charge of & manage the portion of my estate coming to Henry & Sarrett James N. Jefferson & Eliza & Thos. J. Sarrett Misourian Audine Sarrett and John T. Dunder They all living until they become of age or capable of managing for themselves and to pay for their education or other things which he may think necessary and I hereby appoint Wm. D. Auley by my executor to this my last will and testament in testimony whereof I have written my hand & seal this 16th day of August 1861

Test
J. J. Dunder
Burrell Wilson

H. N. Sarrett (Seal)

David Morris Will

In the name of God Amen
I David Morris of the County of Benton and State of Missouri having the fear of God before my eyes and knowing the certainty of death and being of sound mind and memory hereby give my body to the Lord and my soul to God who gave it and hereby make and publish this as my last will and Testament revoking all others by and made

1st I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any monies that I may be possessed of or may come into the hands of my executor

2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Morris all my personal property of all kinds and description also all monies and notes that I may be possessed of or in any way coming to me or may accrue on the sale of any property for her to use and dispose of the same in any way she may think proper and at her death to give by will or otherwise to any person or persons she may desire the residue of any be left of said property or monies

3rd It is my will and desire that my children sons and daughters to wit John Morris Leiford & Co. Cephal Elizabeth and David & Francis Morris each be paid the sum of Two dollars out of the effects of my estate and no more

4th I also for the consideration of six hundred dollars which my wife Elizabeth Morris had when I married her which money she gave to me to enable me to pay my just debts I give and bequeath to her my tract of land in which I lived and bought of B. B. Browning to dispose of as the property in article 2nd and that she is not to be disturbed or interrupted in the possession of the said tract of land or in any part thereof in any way in law or otherwise

Lastly I do hereby appoint David J. Florence my executor revoking all others by me herebefore made in writing I do this my last will and Testament at my hand and seal this the Thirtieth day of September 1856

David Morris (Seal)

Witnessed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the Testator this the Thirtieth day of September 1856
John Bell
David B. Bell

John Wiseman Will

I John Wiseman being of sound mind and
 body last mentioning it is apparent unto all
 men to see as hereby made and made in
 this my last will and testament hereby
 making at former wills by me made
 I will and desire that my beloved wife
 Mary Ann shall have all my property both
 real and personal and of every description
 that I now have or could have if I were
 living after my just debts are paid during
 her lifetime or widowhood and at her death
 or the termination of her widowhood I will
 and bequeath the same to my nephew Franklin
 Pillerath, I hereby name and appoint my
 friends John D. Dill and J. M. Wiseman executors
 to this my last will and testament given
 under my hand this the 5th day of August
 AD 1861
 John Wiseman
 J. D. Dill
 J. M. Wiseman

O. Hattery Will

- I Edwards Hattery do make and publish
 this as my last will & testament hereby
 revoking and making void all other wills
 by me at any time made
- 1st I direct that my funeral expenses & all
 my debts be paid as soon after my death
 as possible out of any monies that I may
 be possessed of or may first come into the
 hands of my Executors
 - 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Willie
 Hattery that portion of my tract of land known
 as the Sibley tract lying between the
 Camps lands and the Sibley River as the
 Barnes Hattery making the branch in said
 Hattery the line also one hundred dollars
 in cash to be paid when collected
 - 3rd I give & bequeath unto my son Hardy Hattery
 that portion of my Sibley tract of land
 lying south of the said Barnes Hattery making
 the same a creek the line on the west side be
 one hundred dollars in cash to be paid when
 collected
 - 4th I give and bequeath unto my son James
 Hattery the remainder of my tract of land

- known as the Sibley tract also one hundred
 dollars in cash to be paid when collected
- 5th I give & bequeath unto my son Frank Hattery
 that portion of my tract of land on which my son
 Wesley Hattery made lines by me north of a certain
 creek in the fields the due to be paid when
 collected also one hundred dollars in cash to be paid
 when collected
 - 6th I give & bequeath unto my son Wesley
 Hattery my tract of land and which he
 Wesley Hattery made lines a certain line
 running north and south between my home
 tract and the same also one hundred dollars
 in cash to be paid when collected
 - 7th I give and bequeath unto my son George
 Hattery my home tract of land and which
 I made lines though it is my will that the
 rents and profits of the same be appropriated
 to the support of my wife Pearly Hattery and the
 children until they come of age and while
 in the said George Hattery is twenty and years
 of age after which it is my will that he be
 invested with the rights to said land
 I also will my son George one hundred
 dollars in cash to be paid when collected
 - 8th I give and bequeath unto my wife Pearly
 Hattery one hundred dollars in cash to be
 paid when collected
 - 9th I will and bequeath unto my daughter
 Sarah Fossitt one hundred dollars in cash
 to be paid when collected
 - 10th I will and bequeath unto my daughter
 Rebecca Hattery one hundred dollars in
 cash to be paid when collected the same to
 be excepted from the payment of the debts of
 her husband W. B. Fossitt and left to her
 own use and disposal
 - 11th I will and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth
 Hattery Mary Hattery & Charles Hattery one hundred
 dollars in cash each to be paid when collected
 I also will and bequeath unto each of the
 above named children one horse Bridle
 & saddle worth about five or eight dollars
 each it is also my will that the above named
 children have one cow and calf each also one
 feather Bed and Bed clothing
 - 12th It is my will that my executors sell off

The surplus property to the best advantage
 exempting a sufficiency for the support of
 my wife and the minor heirs that may
 come with her. It is also my will that my
 executors achieve guarantees in the many
 - members of the names herein given to the
 children that are named.

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I will and bequeath unto my sons
 Thomas Hatten and Erap Hatten each
 one and saddle each with a suit of
 fur or eight dollars also in feather
 bed and bed clothing each. Lastly I do
 hereby nominate and appoint Erap
 Hatten and Wm Hatten my executors
 in witness whereof I am to this my will
 set my hand and seal this 30th day of
 December 1857

Edwards Vesting (read)
 signed sealed and published in our presence
 and we have subscribed our names
 here to in the presence of the testator
 This 30th December 1857

B. L. Wm
 Wm Hatten

J. H. Robinsons Will

In the name of God amen
 I J. H. Robinson being of sound mind and memory but
 knowing that it is appointed unto man once to die and
 not knowing how soon my heavenly father may call for
 me do make and publish this my last will and testament revok-
 ing all former wills and parts of wills. First, I direct as soon
 as possible after my death that all my debts and funeral ex-
 penses be paid out of what I may be possessed of.
 secondly, that my wife Mary Robinson have all the rest of my
 property of every kind description during her life or widowhood
 and at her death or marriage all my property befalls equally
 divided among my children. Lastly, I appoint Wm
 Robinson executor of this my last will and testament
 This May the 4th 1862

Test
 William Barnes
 Sarah ^{his} wife Barnes

J. H. Robinson

H. W. Davis Will

State of Tennessee August the 26th 1861
 Benton County. In the name of God amen
 I Henry W. Davis being in a low state of health but in the
 proper exercise of my mind do make and publish this my
 last will and testament in manner and form following
 1st I give and bequeath my soul to God who gave me my
 body to the dust from whence it came
 2nd my will and desire is that all my last debts be paid
 3rd my will and desire is that my beloved wife Margaret
 and Isaac have and enjoy all my property of every
 kind description both personal and real during her natural
 life or widowhood but at or after her death or marriage
 I want all my personal property sold and the proceeds
 equally divided between all my children as the law
 directs 4th my will and desire is that my land
 never be sold but divided into equal lots between all
 my children 5th my will and desire is that my wife
 sell all such property as she may think proper to enable
 her to pay my debts 6th my will and desire is and I do
 hereby appoint my beloved wife Margaret and Isaac my execu-
 tors to this my last will and testament and that she do not
 require to give bond and security as the law directs but have
 full power to collect all debt due or may become due
 hereafter signed and sealed in our presence this August 26th
 1861 Test

H. W. Davis (read)
 D. V. Wester
 B. Wester
 Jane Chotin
 H. W. Davis Sr

Jonathan Durdens Will

In the name of God amen I Jonathan Durdens of the County
 of Benton and State of Tennessee knowing that it is appointed
 unto all men once to die and not knowing how soon
 death may come being at this time in feeble health but sound
 in mind and memory and being desirous of disposing of what
 even of this world's goods I may possess die say of I make this
 my last will and testament revoking all former wills by me at any
 time made (first) I recommend my soul to almighty God who gave
 it and my body to be decently interred agreeably to custom in the
 country (secondly) It is my will and desire that my funeral
 expenses together with my just debts be paid Third, it is my will
 and desire that my beloved wife Sarah Durdens have all the
 remainder of my estate both real and personal during her nat-
 ural life and I give her the liberty to dispose of if she
 thinks proper or if she should become necessary any property

whatsoever. *Fourth*. It is my will at the demand of my beloved wife Sarah Burden that whatever remains be disposed of as follows that is to be sold and distributed as follows to my Grandson William Brownell I give one dollar to my Grand Daughter Penny Brownell I give one dollar to my Grand daughter Martha Gooden I give one dollar to my Grand son James Brownell I give one dollar the remainder to be equally divided between my sons James Burden Cornelius Burden and the heirs of my son Thomas Burden and then being to William & Sarah the latter two to have one third it is my will that the portion coming to the heirs of Thomas Burden (said Joint) William Burden & Sarah Burden be placed in the hands of my son J. S. Burden and by him to be kept until they become of lawful age unless he thinks it necessary to lay it out for their schooling clothing &c. *Fifth & last* I appoint my son J. S. Burden my Executor to this my last will and Testament in testimony whereof I have unto set my hand and affix my seal this 8th day of February 1861

Test

Wm Meaulley
David Nelson

Jonathan Burden *Witness*

Will

I William Farrow of the County of Benton & State of Tennessee knowing that it is appointed unto all men to die not knowing how soon death may come have thought proper to make this my last will and Testament revoking all former wills by me at any time made first, it is my will and desire that my funeral expenses and any other just claims be paid as soon after my decease as practicable (second) it is my will and desire that my wife Mary Farrow have the use of all my property both real and personal during her natural life (third) it is my will and desire that my nephews Allen Farrow have a share of all my property at their spring and if that lot should be taken from him I wish him to have another provided he stays till he is twenty one years old and at the death of my wife I wish what is left both real and personal sold and equally divided amongst my children in testimony whereof I have unto set my name this 6th day of May 1863

James S. Gilispie

Wm Meaulley

his
William Farrow
marks

J. Collins' Will

I Josephine Collins of the County of Benton and State of Tennessee being in feeble health but sound in mind and knowing that it is appointed unto all men to die and not knowing when death may come have thought proper to make this my last will and Testament revoking and making void all former wills by me heretofore made first, it is my will and desire that all my just debts funeral expenses be paid as soon as possible after my decease (secondly) it is my will that my wife Nancy Collins have all she brought when I married her consisting of my Bed Bedstead bed clothes and Dress & spinning wheel and pair of cotton cards chairs &c my two daughters that has married and left me has had their share when they left me (third) it is my desire that my three daughters which are still with me (to wit) Adaline Mary and Margarette have each one Bed Bedstead and Bed clothes Mary and Adaline to have one side Saddle jointly Margaret to have one and rear I will my son John Collins the black horse colt which I own (fourth) It is my will and desire that my daughter Margaret have my land I have two sons Thomas and Henry Collins who are gone I know ^{not where} they are if they should return I wish them to have an interest with my daughter Margaret in my land this October 9th 1863

Test

W. M. Meaulley
A. S. Lilly
C. N. Wood

J. Collins *Witness*

Peter Evans' Will

I Peter Evans of the County of Benton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void any will by me heretofore made first, it is my request and will that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible (2nd) It is my request after my death that my Executor sell my goods of dress and cart and also my two mules as soon as possible after my death also all the fodder on hand and divide the net proceeds equally between my four children (viz) Edmund Charles George & Martha Evans Martha the wife of Willie Graham 3rdly It is my request that my beloved wife Elizabeth take charge of all the remainder of my estate both real and personal and that she is by request of me to have and enjoy the same during her natural life from on and down her

and after his death or marriage all of my estate both real and personal to be sold and equally divided between all of my children except Henry E Evans my son who I will the sum of five dollars (5⁰⁰) & lastly I appoint my son Edward Evans my Executor to carry out my will as above written and set forth in witness whereof I have hereunto set my name for the purposes herein contained the 25th day of October 1863
 Peter E Evans
 Test by J. H. Brown

J. T. Summers Will

I J. T. Summers of the county of Benton and State of Tennessee knowing that it is appointed unto all men that they must die, and I in feeble health at this time but sound in mind and memory have thought proper to make this my last will and Testament revoking all former wills by me made First it is my will and desire that all my just debts funeral expenses to be paid as soon as practicable out of what I may be seized of Second, the balance of my estate I wish to remain in the possession of my wife Sarah Summers for the purpose of assisting her in raising and supporting my children that remain with her during her life or widowhood And I hereby give her full power if she should become dissatisfied to sell out and more and make title &c Third and at her own death or marriage I wish whatever is left of my estate to be sold and my son Eli Jeremiah Summers my daughter Anna Parale Summers Dolly Charlotte Summers and Margaret Narcissa Summers to have each one hundred and fifty dollars to make them equal in what I have given my children that has left me And what ever there may be left I wish equally divided amongst all my children I appoint my friend M. M. McCully executor to this my last will to carry out the same in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of June 1865
 J. T. Summers (seal)
 Signed sealed and acknowledged
 in our presence
 H. R. Reeves
 M. E. Travis
 State of Tennessee
 Benton County Court Sept Term 1865
 Then was the foregoing will duly proved in open Court and ordered to be recorded. A. C. Prepon clerk

John Smalley's Will

I John Smalley of the county of Benton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory. And considering the uncertainty of life, as therefore make, ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament, that is to say first after all my lawful debts are paid the residue of my estate real and personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit I give and bequeath to my son Edward S. Smalley the tract of land upon which I now live and the appurtenances situated thereon, it being in Benton County and State of Tennessee, on the waters of Rushings Creek, And also I give to my son E. S. Smalley all my personal estate including household and kitchen furniture stock of all descriptions except one huffer about three years old with red sides and white back in my own mark which I give to Sam Bush, and give to my son E. S. Smalley any other personal property belonging to me which has been omitted in the above lines I give and bequeath to James P. Smalley Ten dollars and William S. Smalley Ten dollars, Also I give my daughter Mary Ann Jones Ten dollars also I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Jane Gaskerbaugh Ten dollars. I Also give my son John Smalley Ten dollars - The above will is to be of no effect until after my death I do now I make constitute and appoint William R. Thorne to be Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto caused my name to be subscribed and seal affixed this 15th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and sixty five
 John Smalley (seal)
 Witnessed by
 J. P. Davis &
 John Spiers
 State of Tennessee
 Benton County Court January Term 1866
 Then was the foregoing will of John Smalley duly proved in open Court and ordered to be recorded
 A. C. Prepon clerk

Robert H. Hawthorn's Will

This my last will and Testament First, I give my soul to God, it is author and finisher Second, I will that all my just debts be paid Third, I will that my tract of land about 800 acres be sold for that purpose Fourth, I give and bequeath all that I possess to my beloved wife Elizabeth Hawthorn during her life And at her death to be divided equally among my three sons, Robert A. John C. and James H. Hawthorn. And I own one half of 160 acre land warrant issued to the Widow of Erwin Smith and wish the same

Sold for the benefit of my wife, to pay debts &c as she thinks proper, my other three daughters, one of them now deceased must make out without any part of my little estate. I am at the point of Volunteering and have my full consent to do so, and pass over this so that my wife may have full control of all my effects if I should never return.

Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of May 1861

Executors to carry this my will into effect and beg the county court of my county to aid her in all things to do so. this May the 27th 1861

D A French
Charity French

Robert H Hawthorne

Will

Know all men by these presents that I Hyman Taylor of the County of Benton & State of Tennessee Farmer living in all health but of sound & disposing mind & memory do make & publish this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made and as to my worldly estate all the property real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease I devise bequeath & dispose thereof in the following manner: viz first my will is that all my just debts & funeral expenses shall be my executors hereafter named to pay out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall be by him judged convenient

Item I give devise & bequeath to my wife Martha Taylor all my worldly estate real personal & mixed of which I shall be seized or possessed during her natural life for the sole use & purpose of keeping supporting & educating my two sons Wm & Thos W Taylor my will is that shall be sent to school ten months each year for five years if possible

I give devise & bequeath to my two sons Wm & Thos W Taylor the remainder & remainder of all property both real personal & mixed from & after the decease of my wife Martha Taylor to have & to hold the same to the said Wm & Thos W Taylor their heirs & assigns forever lastly I do name & appoint my friend Daniel B Brewer to be the executor of this my last will & testament In testimony whereof I the said Hyman Taylor have to this my last will & testament have subscribed my name & affixed my seal this 8th day of March A D 1861 Hyman Taylor Read signed sealed published & acknowledged by the said Hyman Taylor as & for his last will & testament in the presence of us who at his request & in his presence & in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

D A French
J H Hawthorne

Dennis Rushings will

The last will and Testament of Dennis Rushing of the County of Benton and State of Tennessee

Item first I bequeath my soul to God who gave it with a firm belief that he is merciful and just, and will excuse his providences for the benefit of his children. I direct that my body be decently buried in a Christian like manner

Item 2nd I will and desire that my Daughter Eliza C former wife of Abner Smalley have the sum of five dollars to her during her natural life without interest and at her death to go to her lawful heirs

Item 3rd I will and desire that my son Richard B. Rushing and his heirs have out of my estate five dollars

Item 4th I will and desire that Gilphes Rushing wife of Roland Rushing she is to have the sum of five dollars during her life without interest and then to her lawful heirs

Item 5th I will and desire that my Son Asa D. Rushing have the sum of five dollars out of my estate to him and his heirs

Item 6th I will and desire that the heirs of Amelia Parberry formerly the wife of Allen C Corbett have the sum of five dollars

Item 7th I will and desire that Joel S. Rushing have my negro boy Bill or William after the death of myself or wife but not before that time and after the death of myself and wife the said Joel S. is to have full right and possession of said slave

Item 8th I will and desire that David S. Rushing, Roland G. Rushing & Willis J. Rushing have the plantation on which I now live containing by estimation about two hundred acres to have and to hold to them and their heirs forever, but this devise is made with this express condition that I and my wife is to have and full possession power and control of the same until the death of each of us and then the same is to be the property in fee of the said David S. Roland G. & Willis J. Rushing

Item 9th I will and desire that Harriet Brewster wife of E. Brewster have the sum of five dollars during her life without interest and then to her heirs forever

I hereby appoint David S. Rushing and Joel S. Rushing my Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills & Testaments by me at any time made this 15th of January 1860

Test
Dennis Rushing
B. B. May by
Stephen C. Paratt

I Dennis Rushing of the County of Benton and State of Tennessee make this and publish the same as a Supplement or Codicil to the foregoing will I hereby revoke the 6th Item of the same to Joel S. Rushing

And make this as my last will and Testament
That the ~~W~~ Stearns leaving to D. C. R. G. & M. C. Rushing
my tract of land on which I live be so amended that
Each of these heirs to wit: D. C. R. G. and M. C. Rushing
Each pay to the said J. S. Rushing the sum of forty
Dollars each as soon as convenient after my death
I desire that you all may agree and divide my
little effects with as little expense as possible, and
without any Contention with each other and I
desire no transfer only one with another
In testimony whereof I have set my hand and Seal
the 30th day of December 1865
J. S. Rushing
J. C. Patimer

William Rowe, Will

I William Rowe of the county of Benton and State of Tennessee
being of sound mind and memory considering the uncertainty
of this frail and transitory life do therefore make, ordain
publish and declare this to be my last will and testament
That is to say, first, that after all my lawful debts are
paid and discharged the residue of my estate Real and
personal I give and bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit:
to my beloved wife my land on which I now reside and all
my personal property during her natural life or widowhood
and at her death or marriage the property Real and personal
to be disposed of as follows, my son John Droughaw has received
one mule of medium size, it is my will that my other sons are
arising at manhood likewise receive each a medium horse
or mule, my daughter Mariah Louisa has received one bedstead
Bed and furniture, and one Cow and calf, it is my will
that my other Daughters likewise each receive bedstead bed
and furniture and one Cow and calf, and thus the
property to be equally divided amongst, share and share alike
likewise I make constitute and appoint my son in law
Peter Francis and my brother Elisha Rowe to be
Executors of this my last will and Testament thereby
revoking all former wills by me made.
In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and
affixed my seal the 10th day of June in the year of our Lord one
Thousand Eight hundred and sixty four

W. Rowe
L. N. A. Martin

Wm Rowe (Seal)

Ephraim Arnold's Will

I Ephraim Arnold, being in feeble health but of sound mind
knowing that is ordained for all men to die, I now publish my last
will and Testament, revoking all former wills heretofore made by me.
1st My will and desire that I want all my just debts
& Burial & funeral expenses paid out of any money or property
that I may die seized of.
2^d I will and bequeath to my Dear beloved wife Abby Arnold my
Tract of land I now live on, and all the lands I may die seized and
possessed of, during her natural life or widowhood, should she marry
before her death I want my two younger daughters Polly Ann, &
Concinda Abby and Harry A. Arnold my younger son to have
my Tract of land to be divided equally among, them three, and
also at her death I will and bequeath the same to the three above
named children.
4th I want my two daughters that now live with me to have a
bed and bedstead a piece that they now claim.
5th My will and desire is for my wife Abby to have all my personal
property of every description during her life or widowhood.
I want my son Harry A. Arnold to stay with his mother & two sisters
until he is twenty one years of age, and if he does I will and
bequeath to him one sorrel colt. and one year old now,
for which I hereto set my name this 15th day of April 1867
Witness A. G. Farrow
Ephraim Arnold
James Arnold

Edmond Bowers will

State of Tennessee Benton County

I Edmond Bower do make and publish this as my
last will and testament, revoking all other wills
first I want my funeral expenses paid out of any money, I
may die possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my
Executor.
Second - I want all my just debts paid.
Thirdly - I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Harriett
Bower, my beloved wife all the balance of my estate both Real
and personal as her own right & property to have and to hold forever.
Fourthly - I appoint Elijah Alsop as my Executor, to carry out
this will, whereof I have signed my name and seal, signed and
sealed in our presence this 18th of September 1866.

Edmond
J. Bower
J. Sullivan

Edmond Bower
mark

Zechariah Barkers Will

State of Tennessee
DeWitt County

In the name of God Amen
I Zechariah Barker being advanced in age and in feeble health, but in my proper senses do make this my last will and Testament,

First— I will and bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came.

Second— I will that all my just debts be paid out of my effects if any I should owe, but thank God I owe none at this time

Third— I will and bequeath unto my daughter Amy Crockett during her natural life, and at her death to the children born of her body, to be equally divided among them that may be. At her Amy Crockett's death the following named property viz Edy & Jane and Susan Parry and their increase to my daughter Amy Crockett to be at her disposal during her natural life, but not to sell or convey any title to the above named negro slaves, &c, to work and labour for her benefit, and further that her husband be him who he may shall have no claim or interest to said slaves

Fourth— I will and bequeath to my son Briggs Barker the following named property viz, Minny, Sarah A, Mepher and Ching. negro slaves to my son Briggs Barker

Fifth— I will and bequeath to my son Needham Barker the following named property viz, Viny, Eliza, Caroline, and Jack, negro slaves to my said son Needham Barker and the increase of said slaves to said son Needham Barker

Sixth— I will and bequeath unto my son Zechariah Barker the following named property viz, Mary, Hannah, Dick, Lydia, Harry, Hill and Logan Slaves and their increase to my said son Zechariah Barker also one feather bed & stand and furniture and a brown goat and a spotted horse called his, One good cow & calf or yearling and ten dollars worth of stock hogs

Seventh— I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Celia the following named property viz, Rosey and her increase and Ned during her natural life, and at her death then Rosey and her increase to my son Needham Barker and Ned to belong to my son Briggs Barker

Eighth— I will and bequeath unto Celia the following named property viz, Lacy and her increase during her natural life, and at her Celia's death to revert back to my legal heirs the said negro slave slaves

Ninth— I will that my beloved wife Celia Barker have all my household furniture that is not otherwise disposed of in the fifth article of this will during her natural life, and to have jointly with my son Zechariah Barker

the houses and buildings I now occupy and land that I now cultivate during her natural life and that my son Briggs Barker have the upper end of my plantation that land that he now cultivates, and Needham Barker the lower end of my plantation, the land that he now cultivates and at my wife's death to be equally divided that is all my land between my three sons, Briggs Barker Needham Barker and Zechariah Barker

Tenth— I will that my Celia Barker have a sufficiency of horses, cattle hogs and corn for her use during her life and if disagreed about by the heirs to be left to two disinterested men considering her former mode of living and the surplus and surplus to be sold

Eleventh— I hereby appoint my son Briggs Barker my Executor and I further will that my son Z. Barkers negroes work on the plantation and not to be hired out but kept at home in his Z. Barkers service and the Executor not to be bound for the hire or labour of said slaves, Signed, sealed this 3rd day of February A.D. 1857

Zechariah Barker
in the presence of
Robert H. Hawthorne
Elizabeth V. Hawthorne

Proven in Open Court and ordered to be recorded
J. H. Farmer Clerk
Proven ~~October~~ 1867

Non occupative Will of Penissa Barker
We Artemisia Saunders and Sarah Travis do state and say, that on the 20th day of October 1868 at the last residence and in the last illness of Mrs. Penissa Barker We witnessed the last Nonoccupative Will of the said Penissa Barker deceased and that it was as following to wit; the old lady being conscious of approaching dissolution said that she intended to have made a will but said it was too late when she was told that she could state our the disposition she wished to make of her property, she then told the above witnesses in presence of others, that she wanted her grand son Alfred (i.e.) N. A. N. Barker to pay all her just debts and then she wished him Alfred to have all her property of every kind, witnesses our hands the 20th day of November 1868

Sarah L. Travis
Artemisia Saunders

Nonrecipitated Will of John T. Poyard
 We the undersigned Justices who were called
 on by John T. Poyard in his last illness at
 the place where he resided in Benton county
 State of Tennessee do testify that the following
 was his last will made a few days before he
 died, that he died on the 13th of November 1867
 I can't be sure whatever was coming to him
 from his Father's estate in the State of South
 Carolina he desired and wished that his
 wife Martha W. should have it, and we
 certify that we were personally called and
 requested by said John Poyard to hear writing thereof
 This the 5th of April 1867
 Milnes William Poyard
 Matthew Poyard

Examined and approved by the court
 and ordered to be recorded
 Given April Term 1867
 H. Hammer cler

Mary Antrop Will

I Mary Antrop of the county of
 Benton and State of Tennessee do hereby make
 and publish this my last will and Testament
 hereby revoking and making void all other
 Wills by me at any time made
 1st It is my will that Wesley King have all
 my effects that I may leave at my death
 with the following understanding Viz: that is
 to say The said Wesley King agrees that his
 house shall be my home and that he will
 take care of me during my natural life
 Now on his complying at his oath, then
 the first clause of this my Will to be void
 In acknowledgment of which I have
 this day being the 20th day of February 1867
 signed this my last Will in the presence
 of the Subscribing Witnesses This the 20th
 February 1867 Mary Antrop

W. J. Mager

State of Tennessee

Benton county

In the name of God I Joseph Cowell of the county of
 State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and
 considering the uncertainty of life, do therefore make and
 publish and declare this to be my last Will & Testament
 That is to say, I Will and bequeath to my Grand Son
 William D. Cowell, one half interest in my Father's tract
 of land and to my Grand Son Jo. A. Cowell the
 other half of said tract of land, consisting by estimation
 two hundred acres. It is furthermore my Will and
 desire that Tomb stones of substantial finish be
 placed at my Grand Son's graves and
 my son Thomas Cowell's graves to be paid out of my
 personal property and also my Burial expenses
 to be paid out of same, after said expenses is paid
 the remainder of my property not otherwise disposed
 of to be equally divided among my lawful heirs.

Otherwise I make, constitute and appoint my
 Son James Cowell & my Grand Son Joseph W.
 Cowell to be Executors of this my last Will & Testament
 hereby revoking all Wills heretofore by me made
 In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name
 and affixed my seal the 13th day of July in the year
 of our Lord 1867
 Joseph W. Cowell

Witnesses J. H. Bridges
 Benjamin Holland
 Berry Jordan

I Uriah Rifer of the State of Tennessee & County of
 Benton after a due consideration of my feeble health
 and the uncertainty of life and being of sound mind
 I make or cause to be made my Will
 1st I Will my soul to God that gives it
 2^d If my beloved wife is the longest liver I will and
 bequeath all my property both personal & real to her
 as long as she remains a widow, and if she
 marries she is to have one third of my property
 And the other two thirds to be divided equally
 between Elizabeth Ann Shively & Phebe Anne Rifer
 and at their death to their bodily heirs. And I
 Will that my beloved wife, she that all my just debts
 be paid as soon as possible & let this up as my last
 Will and Testament & all others that may come up
 is not legal. Whereas I assign my whole to this to
 be my last Will and request and hope that it will

be carried out as I have give directions. Where I assign
my name in the presence of these witnesses the day being
the 16th of April 1870. *Wm. Oliver*
Witness
M. D. Fisher
Wesley J. Morris
Examined & proved by
the Subscribing Witnesses
and ordered to be
recorded.
J. B. Hammer clerk

David Brewster Will

I David Brewster do make and publish
this as my last will and testament
clearly speaking and making voice
all other wills by me at any time
made
first I design my body to the grave
and my Soul to God who gave it
next that my funeral Expenses
Should be neatly defrased in the best
place my desire is that all my just
debts Shall be paid in the following
manner that my beloved wife Sarah
Brewster have the right and full
authorit over my property of Every
kind both real and personal with
full authority to collect and settle
all debts without being bound to
to any security whatever for a
term of fifteen years as the
operation of that time the remainder
to be disposed of as the law may
direct in writing when I do to this
my will set my hand and Seal the
24th day of August 1874.

Signed Seal and published in our
presence and we have subscribed
our names her to in the presence
of the testator this the 24th day of
August 1874
Test David Brewster
H. B. Brooks

James W. Upcher's will
On the name of God Amen I James W.
Upcher of the County of Benton and State
of Tennessee being of Sound mind and memory
and considering the uncertainty of this frail and
transitory life do therefore make and Ordain
Publish and Declare this to be my last
Will and testament that is to say
first After all my lawful debts are paid and
discharged the residue of my Estate real and
personal I give bequeath and dispose of as
follows to wit to my beloved wife Elizabeth
the land and Appurtenances situated there
one known and described One tract lying
and being on the West Bank of the Tennessee
River and bounded and fifty acres known
by me as the John Regule tract Secondly
one fifty acre tract that I now live on both of
which is under one deed Thirdly a Seventy one and
a half acre tract lying west of the fifty
acre tract described Secondly as the tract I
now live on all of which is lying and being
in the 9th Civil District of Benton County
Tennessee together with the Negroes 1 Boy Camp
18 years old, girl Cherry 22 years of age, girl
Riley about 8 years of age 1 Boy Neal about 6 years
of age 1 girl Clay about 11 months of age 1 girl
Christine about 16 years of age and her children
Abraham about 10 days of age also the increase
if any of the above mentioned Negroes also
all of the Horses and mules except one yellow
horse saddle & bridle known as Ball & Jew
and bequeath to my Son William Upcher
also I give to my Son Seth Upcher one Old
chuck Bridle & Saddle also to my daughter
Corbina Upcher provide she remains
unmarried and living with me at the
time of my death 1 Bed and Shed 1 Cow 1 calf
1 wheel & 1 Cradle 1 chair 1 pot 1 bread tray
1 Wash tub 1 boy plate 1 set tinware fork
1 set cups & saucers 1 cow & pigs also I
give to my wife Elizabeth all of the
remaining proper real & personal
that I may be possessed of during the
term of Natural life time at her death
I want my daughters Adeline Williams
Renaia Perry Sinitia Robins & Corbina
Upcher to have equally divided amongst
them I have & shall give to them

& Then Children for ever 1 girl Slave
 Caroline And her Boy Abraham Ruff
 a Girl Slave Oney of Girl Slave And
 the increase from this date I also
 give & bequeath to my Son William
 Upcherch & Seth Upcherch 1 Negro Boy
 Constant Negro girl Cherry 1 Negro Boy
 And the increase of the Negroes
 divided between them Share & Share
 alike at the decease of my wife Elizabeth
 if William or Seth should die without
 children the other living I want to
 have the whole of the property killed
 1. Both I also will and bequeath to ~~the~~
 of the debt of my wife Elizabeth the Land
 bequeath & will to her during her natural life
 time to be equally divided between my Sons
 William and Seth Upcherch should William
 or Seth die without children I will and
 bequeath the Land that I give to both
 shall belong to the surviving one in case
 William & Seth should die without children I will
 and bequeath that all the property I give to William and
 Seth be equally divided between the remainder of my children
 I also will give bequeath that in case either of my daughters
 Caroline William Roma Perry Martha or my Sonner Upcherch
 should die without having children the property I give
 and bequeath to them to be equally divided between the remain-
 der of my Sons I also will and bequeath that my Son William
 if and Seth Upchurch at the death of my wife Elizabeth shall
 have all of the remainder of my property equally divided
 between William & Seth Upchurch in case either William
 or Seth should die without children the property given
 to both I will and bequeath to the surviving one in case
 both William and Seth Upchurch should die without children
 the property will to them I want to be divided equally
 between the remain- der of my Sons likewise I make constitute
 and appoint John A. Doherty to be executor of this my last
 Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me
 made in Retain, Whereof I have herunto subscribed my name
 and affixed my seal the fifteenth of June in the Year of
 our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two

The above written instrument was subscribed by the said
 Jamison Upchurch in our presence and acknowledged by
 him to each of us and he at the same time published and
 declared the above instrument to be his last

Will and Testament and in at the Testator request and in
 his presence have signed our names and our respective places
 of Residences

J. W. Russell Benton Co Tenn
 J. Asher Benton Co Tenn
 K. B. Kelly Benton Co Tenn

Thomas J. Jamison Upchurch of the County of Benton and
 State of Tennessee have made my last Will and Testament
 in writing bearing date of the 15th June one thousand
 eight hundred and fifty two in and by which I have
 given and bequeathed to my wife Elizabeth a life time right
 to the land which she has departed this life and
 I now will and bequeath that my present wife Matilda
 Upchurch shall live with my son Seth Upchurch on the
 premises and have half the use of the property until my
 son Seth Upchurch becomes twenty one years of age or during
 his minority and if my wife Matilda remain unmarried
 when she becomes of age I want the use of half of the land and
 house to be extended until such marriage to replace
 or during the time of her natural life time also
 I will and bequeath that my daughter Cornelia
 Upcherch broudering she is unmarried at the
 time of my decease have the same privilege
 on the premises as one of the family and shall
 live with my wife Matilda & son Seth & be supported
 off the proceeds of my property during her single
 life also I will and bequeath that at the very
 moment my wife Matilda & Mary after my
 death her interest is to cease on any of my
 property whatever I also will and bequeath
 that Josiah Williams and his present wife
 Malpha have and hold during their natural
 life time the house he now lives in on my
 premises & twenty acres of land around the
 house he has built on my premises between
 my house & James & William and at the death
 of the said Malpha Williams the land is to go
 in to the hands of the Indiv- iduals as my last
 Will and Testament directs in witness
 Whereof I have thought subscribed my name
 and affixed my seal the 15th day of June
 in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight hundred and fifty two
 Jamison Upchurch Dead