



The foregoing will was proven in open court at  
the Court Term 1876 by the oath of Ab Thompson  
J. H. Richter the subscribing witnesses thereto and  
ordered to be recorded and J. H. Richter the  
Executor therein named appeared in open court  
and gave bond and was qualified as the law directs  
J. H. Richter Clerk  
Wm. P. Armstrong

## Abraham Goforth will

State of Tennessee & I Abraham Goforth of the  
Washington County & County and State aforesaid being  
weak in body but of sound mind and disposing  
judgement do make this as my last will and Testament.  
Section 1<sup>st</sup> I will and direct that my beloved wife  
Mary Emeline Goforth have my homestead (the land on  
which I now live and to include all the improvements  
upon the same.

Section 2<sup>nd</sup> I will and direct that my wife

Mary Emeline Goforth have three head of cattle  
which belongs to me at this time

Section 3<sup>rd</sup> I will and direct that my wife Mary  
Emeline Goforth have five head of stock hogs  
which belongs to me at the present time

Section 4<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Emeline  
Goforth all of farming utensils such as plows motticks  
&c which I own at the present time

Section 5<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Emeline  
Goforth all of my house hold and kitchen property as  
follows one clock one corner cupboard one chest with  
all of the dishes and appurtenances connected also  
and vessels attached and all other cooking utensils such  
as oven and lid Skillet & lids which I possess  
at this time also two wash kettles

Section 6<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Emeline  
Goforth all of her bedding and clothing and to em-  
brace beds Steads and bed clothing also I will

and bequeath to my wife Mary Emeline Goforth one  
wool wheel one flax wheel and one reel and one weaver  
loom & fixtures all the water vessels on hand and all the pro-  
ducts which was produced on my lot of ground or home-  
stead this present year. Section 7<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my  
daughter Josephine Goforth all of her bedstead  
and clothing also one wash pot I also will and direct  
that my Executors pay to my daughter Josephine Goforth  
ten dollars cash out of any moneys collected by  
them of any moneys due me or on hand at my death  
Section 8<sup>th</sup> I will and direct that my Executors leave  
the balance of the money which may come into their  
hands or which may be on hand at my death in  
payment of my debts and funeral expenses

Section 9<sup>th</sup> I will and direct that all of my heirs con-  
sent and agree to abide by this as my last will and  
Testament as I have minor children yet to raise and  
school and maintain by my wife Mary Emeline Goforth  
I her call the names of my heirs as follows I will  
and I will and bequeath to each of them the amount of  
one dollar to be paid by my Executors when called  
for out of any moneys that may come into their  
hands as follows James M. Goforth Secondary Cloga formerly  
Goforth Joseph Goforth Thomas J. Goforth & Salsa More for  
myself Goforth Andrew J. Goforth Mary A. Wetland formerly  
Goforth William H. Goforth Lora A. Goforth Ellen Goforth  
Lewis S. Goforth Charles G. Goforth. Section 10<sup>th</sup> I will  
direct and appoint my wife Mary Emeline Goforth my  
and my son William H. Goforth to act as my ex-  
ecutors in carrying out and administering my estate under  
this my last will and Testament and not to be required  
by the Court to give bond and security. In witness  
whereof I have hereunto subscribed my hand and  
seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 1876 the words Mary Emeline  
above eighth line and the word cooking above the sixth line in  
section 5<sup>th</sup> interlined before signed signed sealed and ac-  
knowledgeed in our presence date above.

Witness  
J. A. Conley  
Anderson Reep  
Abraham Goforth  
Mark