

in manner and form following to wit -

I give and bequeath unto my Son John Holmes two Negroes Namely Harry and Hannah with her future increase also one slave with & impart to Mr. M'Grawheart, and one small gown to him and his heirs forever -

I give and bequeath unto my Son Bennett Holmes when he comes to the age of twenty one - 1 Negro Boy York and one Negro Girl Abiah with her future increase to him and his heirs forever -

I give and bequeath to my Son George Holmes when he comes to the age of twenty one years two Negro boys Jack and Andrew to him and his heirs forever

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann B. Holmes, when she arrives to the age of twenty one or Marry, one Negro Woman Beck with her future increase also one feather bed and furnishings to her and her heirs forever -

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Emma Holmes when she attains the age of twenty one years or Marry, one Negro Girl Dannah with her future increase also one feather bed and furnishings to her and her heirs forever -

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter ^{Ann} Holmes one Negro girl, Lidian also the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars to be raised out of the residue of my estate to her and her heirs forever -

I lend the use and profits of all my Land unto my beloved wife Nancy Holmes during her natural life or Widowhood also the following Slaves to wit: Sharps, London, Sam, Caleb, Ephraim, Jesse, Lucy, Cherry, Milly, Fanny, Selvia, Natty, Isaac & Aristote, also one Corral ~~House~~

Mane & riding Chari and two feather beds & furniture of the 1st Chari but it is expressly to be understood that out of the profits arising from the above Loan, my Children namely, Josiah M Holmes, James Holmes, Samuel Holmes, Melinda Holmes, Virginia Holmes and William H Holmes, be raised and educated and at the death or marriage of my beloved wife Nancy Holmes, my will and desire is that my Land be divided as follows between my two sons Bennett Holmes and George Holmes: the dividing Line between the Manor Plantations and that called Britts, to begin at a pine on the north side of the main Road, a Line tree between M'Grawheart and myself thence a Line of marked trees South to the main road, thence South across the road to a white oak in the field, thence a straight Line to the meadow Branch, the dividing line between Willis Penders and myself. It is my desire that Bennett Holmes should have Britts & about west of said Line and which I give and bequeath unto him and his heirs forever -

I give the Plantation whereon I now live to my Son George Holmes with all the improvements thereon, except the ~~the~~ which I wish him and his brother Bennett to hold in common between them the Negroes above mentioned as I said my wife with the maner