

March Term 1853

Estate of Robert Hamilton Deceased

The State of Mississippi
 Lowndes County

To the Sheriff of Lowndes County Greeting
 You are hereby commanded to Summon
 Five discreet Free holders of your county connected
 with the parties neither by consanguinity or affinity and entirely disinterested
 as commissioners and them to qualify according to Law who when so
 qualified shall allot and set off by metes and bounds to Ruth S Hamilton
 the widow of Robert Hamilton late of Said County Deceased One half of
 according to quantity and quality of the Lands tenements and hereditaments
 described in the annexed Schedule Marked "A" as the Homors of said
 widow and also at the same time to allot and set off to the said
 Ruth S one half of the personal Estate of said Deceased and crop for
 the year 1852 her legal share thereof and one half of the surplus of the
 money found by the adms after paying the necessary expenses in
 keeping up the Farms & his Commissions & compensation for managing
 said Estate as much as he may deem necessary which is described in
 Schedule marked "B" and the said Commissioners in said allotment
 of Lands &c shall comprehend therein the dwelling house at Choctaw
 Springs in which the said Decedent in his lifetime next before his
 death was most accustomed to dwell together with the Out Houses
 Buildings and other improvements thereunto belonging or appertaining

And you are hereby further commanded that when the
 said Lands tenements hereditaments and Personal Estate shall
 be allotted as aforesaid by said Commissioners to put the said
 Ruth S Hamilton in possession of the Share and portion thereof
 set off to her the said Ruth S the said One half of said Lands
 &c to be held possessed and enjoyed by her during the term of her
 Natural Life and that the said One half of said Personal
 Estate to be and enure to her her heirs Executors Administrators
 and assigns forever. And said allotment together with
 the manner in which you shall execute this writ to return and
 make known to our said court at the next term thereof with this
 enclosed

Witness the Honorable Nathaniel E Goodwin
 Judge of Said Court at the Court House in
 the Town of Columbus the first Monday in
 October 1852 Signed January 2nd 1853
 Daniel Williams Clerk
 By Geo. C. Brown

D

The State of Mississippi
 Lowndes County

By virtue of the proceedings and
 foregoing writ issued out of the Probate
 Court in & for said County I have this
 day summoned as Commissioners John M Witherspoon J B
 Helmer John C Cox & J M Ledbetter disinterested freeholders

Estate of Robert Hamilton Dec Contd

of my county and connected with the parties mentioned within
 by consanguinity or affinity & have notified them to assemble
 upon the premises & lands described in the writ on the 22nd day
 of January 1853 in said County & continue from day
 to day until the said business shall be completed
 & ended for the purpose of executing the Commission this
 Jan^y 13th 1853 W. H. Patterson Sheriff of Lowndes County
 J. A. Willeford Deputy Sheriff

Pursuant to the above summons & by virtue of the foregoing &
 proceeding writ & this day assembled the above named Commission
 in said County who after having been duly sworn & qualified
 by me proceeded & allotted & set off by metes & bounds the dower
 of the within named P. H. Hamilton on the lands of said
 deceased & situated & lying in said County & also allotted & set off
 her legal share of the Personal Estate of said deceased
 according to the directions of the within writ which will
 fully appear by Reference to the Report of said Commissioner
 herewith returned. W. H. Patterson Sheriff of Lowndes County
 Jan^y 22nd 1853³ Mississippi by J. A. Willeford Deputy Sheriff

Truly Recorded April 15th 1853
 Daniel Williams Clerk

To The Honorable Nathaniel E. Goodwin Judge of
 The Probate Court of the County of Lowndes & State of
 Mississippi The undersigned Commissioners appointed &
 summoned by the Sheriff of said County as preholders in
 the same under & by virtue of a certain writ of dower
 issued by said Court in which they were directed
 among other things to allot & set off by metes &
 bounds to P. H. Hamilton the widow of Robert
 Hamilton of said County now deceased one half part
 according to quantity & quality of the lands tenements &
 hereditaments described & set forth in the said & marked
 accompanying said writ of dower at the dower of
 said widow & also at the same time to allot & set
 off one half part of the personal estate of said deceased
 described at large in said writ & the inventory thereof
 accompanying said writ & marked & schedule "B" as
 her legal share of the personal estate of said deceased
 except the surplus of the money fund retained by the
 administrator) beg leave to report
 That after being assembled & sworn by the Sheriff

as aforesaid in said County on the 22nd day of January A.D. 1853 they made due examination of the various lands described in the schedule marked A accompanying said writ & thereupon allotted & set off by meter & bounds one half part thereof according to quantity & quality to the widow as per docket herein after described & set forth in this return as a part thereof marked schedule of lands (A) comprehending therein the late residence of the deceased called the Chickaw Springs together with the out houses & improvements thereto belonging appertaining which allotment will fully appear in said schedule A of this return & contained herein as a part & parcel thereof

And the undersigned Commissioners as aforesaid further report that on the same day & at the same place they caused the personal estate of the deceased to be divided into two equal parts or shares one of which they allotted & set off to the widow as her legal share of the personal estate of her said husband (except the surplus of the money found retained by the administrator) which will fully & at large appear by reference to the schedule herein contained marked B & made a part of this Report containing a list of the negroes & chattel allotted to her with their respective values attached

Schedule of Lands Marked Exhibit A.
Chickaw Springs

Township 19 Range 14 west South 1/2 of T 2 S 1/4 of R 13 E 1/4 of Sec 10 about 310 acres more or less valued at \$ 3.00 pr acre \$ 930.00

Pepper Plantation

T 17 R 17 E Sec 1 N 1/4 of T 2 about 443 acres more or less

McGowan Lands Near Pepper

T 18 R 18 E Sec 31 S 1/2 of T 30 and N 1/4 of T 32 about 1120 acres more or less valued with the pepper plantation at \$ 11.50 pr acre \$ 12880.00

River Lands about & Near Moors Bluff

T 17 R 18 E Fractional Sec 31 Lot 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 5, 2, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14) Trac 12 Trac 11 Lot 102 being east part of 1/4 of 1/4 about 865 acres more or less valued at \$ 1.25 pr acre 1081.25

Pepper Plantation and River Lands

T 20 R 18 West Fractional Tr 12 Trac 11 Trac 2 Trac 3 Trac 13 Trac 11 Trac 11 1/2 Trac 1 Trac 1 1/2 N 1/4 of T 16 1/4 of T 1 S 1/2 of T 8 1/4 of T 1 about 1790 acres more or less valued at \$ 4.35 pr acre \$ 7780.25

T 20 R 17 West the N 1/4 of T 17 1/2 S 1/4 of T 17 1/2 of T 17 1/2 of T 17 1/4 of T 18 E 1/2 of T 17 1/4 of T 18 Sec 15 about 320 acres more or less valued at \$ 1.25 pr acre \$ 400.00

$\frac{1}{2}$ of R 18 West $\frac{1}{4}$ of S 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{8}$ of S 6 E $\frac{1}{4}$
 of Sec 26 South part of fractional Twp 24 (148 acres) North
 Part $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sec 35 (112 acres) about 275 acres more or less
 valued at \$1.25⁰⁰ an.

To this amount in lands

24375

328360

Schedule of Personal estate marked exhibit B
 A list of the negro names and negroes at Pepper

No an Valentines	150 00
Lem	1000 00
Peggy & child	900 00
Annicy	750 00
Stretch	1000 00
Robin Sally & child	1350 00
Margaret	500 00
Elizabeth	750 00
Sam & Mary	2500 00
Tom	1000 00
Robert	650 00
Frank & Billy	950 00
Cyrus America & child	1900 00
Hane & Strall	650 00
Julia Ann	725 00
Patrick	725 00
Emanuel Mully & 5 children	2500 00
Sam & Medry Ann	1600 00
Harriet	500 00
Sam	500 00
Anthony & Sarah Ann	1750 00
Virginia & Child	500 00
Lave & Silvy	1050 00
William & Adam	550 00
Joe Lucy & child	1200 00
Esther	850 00
Minnie	500 00
Francis & Anna	900 00
Daniel	700 00
Lilly & 3 children	1300 00
John, Nancy & child	1200 00
America	650 00
Effy & Mat	1000 00
Henry	950 00
Charles	1000 00
Nick	1000 00
Hannah	750 00
Ferry & Judy	900 00

Joe Greedo	500 00
Leaty	250 00
Black Sgt Negroes Boy Patrick	800 00
Micajah Martha & 2 children	1800 00
Nodglas	800 00
Jordan & Mary	800 00
Judy	250 00
Lucy	650 00
Ann	730 00
Islem & Scott	820 00
William	900 00
Martha & 3 children	1600 00
Yours	250 00
Bend Plantation Live Rody	800 00
Backlog & wife	1750 00
Woman Hannah	300 00
Choctaw Springs Elizabeth	900 00
Ben	350 00
William Balow	750 00
Ann & child	900 00
Eliza & Gerrit	700 00
To this amount in Negroes	<u>5750 00</u>

Mules and Horses at Pepper Plantation	
One Bay mare Pigeon	70 00
Horse Pack	70 00
Heare colt Diamond	75 00
Horse Jim Lerow	125 00
Tom	25 00
Mule Mary	10 00
Tom	20 00
John Seals	75 00
Nellah	65 00
Jim	15 00
Lucy	25 00
Lucy	90 00
Shap	75 00
Heety	65 00
Sam & Mock	85 00
John	60 00
Nance	20 00
Nancy	20 00
Peter	90 00
Tom	110 00
Linney	100 00
Lillah	30 00
Sally & Amanda	130 00

Bend Plantation	Mealy Hill		80 00
	Wm's Pasture		50 00
	" Henry		50 00
	Moore's Edge		100 00
Choctaw Springs	Gray Moore		35 00
	Bay Moore		65 00
3770 pounds of Pork	at Springs	at \$6.00 per hundred	226 20
9648 "	"	Bend "	578 88
4904 "	"	Pepper "	294 24
All the Stock hogs at the Bend	90 head @ \$1.25 per head		115 00
"	Pepper 133 "	@ \$1.50 "	199 50
"	Springs 37 "	@ \$1.00 "	37 00
32 head of sheep at	Springs	@ \$1.50	48 00
16 " " cattle "	"	@ \$5.00	80 00
52 " " " "	Bend	@ \$3.50	182 00
31 " " " "	Pepper	@ \$3.50	108 50
1 yoke of Oxen at	Bend	at \$80.00	80 00
2 " " " "	Pepper	" @ \$35.00	70 00
700 bushels of corn	Springs	@ 25.00	175 00
3595 " " "	Bend	" "	898 75
4061 " " "	Pepper	" "	1015 25
7 Stacks Fodder	Bend	7.00	49 00
7 " " "	Springs	@ \$5.00	35 00
29 " " "	Pepper	@ \$6.00	174 00
5 " Oats	Springs	@ \$8.00	40 00
8 " " "	Pepper	@ \$13.25	106 00
2 Waggons at	Pepper	@ \$52.50 each	105 00
1 Two horse wagon	Bluff		30 00
27 @ of plough gear	at 50.00 per pair		135 00
All the Slogges at	Pepper		42 00
"	Springs		1 00
"	Moore's Bluff		2 00
1 Grindstone at	Pepper	at Bend	5 00
1/2 bale of Cotton	varnabings at Moore's Bluff		25 82
30 feet Plank	@ \$1.00 per 100	Moore's Bluff	7 50
12 large Hacks	at Pepper	each	7 00
12 large Hacks	at Moore's Bluff	each	2 00
12 axes at	Pepper	at 50.00 each	600 00
2 " " "	Springs	"	100 00
Blacksmith Tools	at Pepper		30 00
Companys, tools & crop cut saw	Pepper		15 00
2 Hat Oliveria	Pepper		3 20
1 Hat of Single & Double trees	Pepper		15 30
3 Coracles & scythes	@ 50.00 each		150 00
1 Fifth chain	Pepper		1 25
Pair of Steady arms & old Iron	Pepper		3 50

4 Iron wedges	"	1 50
Lot of weeding & grubbing hoes	"	8 40
"	"	11 75
Sherry Boat, Balances Mevors Bluff	Spring	25 00
Household & Kitchen furniture	Spring & Bluff	220 00
1 Lin & Band	at Poplar	40 00
1 " " " "	" Band	40 00
37 1/2 Wool @ 20 ^{cs} pr pound	"	10 80

Half the cash on hand after deducting twelve thousand dollars in cash and accounts deemed by the administrators necessary for paying the necessary expenses in keeping up the farm and this compensation for managing said estate for the past year 1852

4561 34
11531 88

Half of the net proceeds of crops of cotton for the year 1852 supposed to be 474 bales of cotton more or less made

On Settlement to be paid over in cash this amount due the Estate

49 75

Given under our hands & seals this the 22nd day of January
 1853

John M. Witherspoon	(seal)
John C. Cox	(seal)
Pepe Smith	(seal)
J. M. Sedberry	(seal)
C. S. Selmer	(seal)

Truly Recorded April 16th 1853
 Daniel Williams Clerk