# EXTRACT FROM A MICROFILM COPY OF THE ORIGINAL FROM CHAMBER COUNTY, ALABAMA'S OFFICIAL HISTORIAN, RUTH CRUMP.

# **19 February 1863**

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Estate of 1468 **Beverley Allen** dec'd Application for letters.
February 19<sup>th</sup> 1863
Recorded

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The State of Alabama, Chambers county

To the Hon. **John Appleby**, Judge of Probate in and for said county.

The petition of **Green B. Smith**, an inhabitant of this State and who is upwards of twenty one years of age, respectfully represents unto your Honor that **Beverley Allen** departed this life intestate on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 1862, and more than forty days since, leaving property in this county to the best of petitioner's knowledge & information and believe of about the value of five thousand dollars. That the heirs and distributes of the estate of said decedent are his widow (blank space) **Allen**, adult, who resides in this county and his eight children, to Wit: **Churchwell, C. S. H., Mahala, A, Sarah L., Fleming, Lucy V., Mary J., Alice B. Allen**, all of whom are minors under the age of fourteen years and who reside with their mother in this county.

In consideration of the premises, your petitioner prays your Honor to grant him letters of administration on said estate upon his giving the required bond and security. And as \_\_\_\_\_ bound your petitioner will ever pray &c.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1863

G. B. Smith

John Appleby

# 19 February 1863

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**Beverly Allen**, dec'd Bond Filed 19<sup>th</sup> February 1863 Recorded

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GUARDIAN'S BOND. THE STATE OF ALABAMA, CHAMBERS COUNTY.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we **Green B. Smith, L. Tilmon, & B. Moore** of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto John Appleby, Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office, in the penal sum of Ten thousand Dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 19<sup>th</sup> days of February A.D. 1863.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that whereas the above bound **Green B. Smith** has been appointed administrator of the Estate of **Beverley Allen** deceased; Now, if the said **Green B. Smith** shall well and truly perform all the duties which are, or may be by law required of him as such Administrator then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded,
February 19<sup>th</sup>, 1863 **John C. Appleby**Judge of Probate

G. B. Smith L. Tilmon B. B. Moore

# **24 February 1863**

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Inventory & Appraisement February 24<sup>th</sup> 1863

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The State of Ala, Chambers County

This is a liste of the property of the Estate of **Beverly Allen** late of Chambers County dec'd the date approved by the under signed appraisors this 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1865.

		\$	cts
1	a bay mare	150.	00
1	Bay mule Cole	75.	00
1	Mare Mule Fan	175.	00
1	Citt Mule	200.	00
1	Peg mule	150.	00
	Lot of Stock Hogs \$45 head	180.	00
16	Pigs	24.	00
1	Read Heffer	20.	00
1	Bell Cow and Calf	35.	00
1	Red Cow with white bag & Calf	30.	00
1	Black Cow	35.	00
1	Red Side and dun yearlin	30.	00
1	Red hided heffer	18.	00
1	Dun heffer	25.	00
1	Pail Head Heff	18.	00
1	Red bull	15.	00
1	waggon and harness	110.	
1	Ox wagon	50.	00
1	Buggy an harness	240.	00
1	Grine Stone	1.	50
5	head of Sheep	17.	00
200	Bushels of Corn \$2 per Bush	400.	00
1	Stack of fodder	16.	2_
2	Stacks of fodder	15.	00
	s Baccon (Bacon)	505.	00
150 "	lard more or less	75.	00
1	loom	8.	00
2	Spinen Wheals (Spinning Wheels)	9.	00
1	Pine Talble (Pine Table)	1.	50

1 2	lot of Bot ware String Cradels	15.00 3.00
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3 2 1 1 1	Set of plough geer 3 plough stocks & plough hars Axes lot of Tools Beaureau Safe Bed Sted and furniture """ """ """ Double barrel gun	12.00 4.00 3.00 18.00 8.00 40.00 25.00 10.00 20.00 30.00
	Pistol Chairs man Saddle pine Table Set of fire dogs	8.00 6.00 15.00 11.00 4.00
Note of Note of with 2 and 1	woman <b>Ann</b> , 2 children, <b>Isaach &amp; Solamon</b> " <b>Silvy</b> , A old woman on <b>Wm. H. Oliver</b> Oct 8 <sup>th</sup> 1862, for on <b>J. G. Lindsey</b> , Jan. 14 <sup>th</sup> 1860, for cell credits, one February 14 <sup>th</sup> 1861 for \$100. February 2, 1863 for \$300.00 omes <b>Banyan Oliver</b>	1800.00 100.00 100.00 655.17
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Note on <b>Mahala Goss</b> Due Decmeber 25 <sup>th</sup> 1860	\$ 40.92
Note on the Loan Due December 5 <sup>th</sup> 1860 For	50.60
Note <b>Mahala &amp; Goss</b> Due Jan 10 <sup>th</sup> 1859	60.00
Money on hand of the estate	\$ 310.00

State of Alabama, Chambers County

Personally came before me **James S. Hussey**, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, **George S. Turner**, **John C. Looser** and **James W. Alsobrook** appraisers of the personal Estate of **Beverly Allen** late of said County deceased who being severally sword \_\_\_\_\_ that the foregoing sheet contains, a full and complete appraisement of all the personal Estate of the said **Beverly Allen** exhibited to them the said appraisers by **G. B. Smith** the administrator on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 1863.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 1863.

(23<sup>rd</sup>) February 1863 **Jas. S. Hussey**, JP

G. S. Turner John C. Looser James W. Alsobrook

The State of Alabama, Chambers County

Before me, **John Appleby**, Judge of Probate in and for said county and State personally came **Green B. Smith**, administrator of the estate of **Beverly Allen**, deceased and being duly sworn says on oath that the foregoing inventory of the estate of said decedent, is full and complete, as to the goods and chattels, debts, and money of the intestate which have come to his knowledge and possession.

Sword to and subscribed before me the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 1863 **John Appleby** Judge of Probate G. B. Smith

# (Cover of document) letters of **Beverly Allen** dec'd application for Sale of perishable property February 26<sup>th</sup> 1863 letters recorded (Page 1 of document) The State of Alabama, Chambers County, I, John Appleby, Judge of Probate in and for said county, do hereby certify that letters of administration on the estate of **Beverley Allen** deceased, were on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1862 granted to **Green B. Smith**, who has complied with \_\_\_ requ tions of the law, and is authorized to take upon himself the administration of said estate. Dated on this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1963 John Appleby Judge of Probate (Page 2 of document) The State of Alabama, Chambers county To **John Appleby** Judge of Probate for said county. Your petitioner administrator in this court of **Beverley Allen** dec'd represents unto your Honor that a \_\_\_\_\_\_ of said Estate consisting of a mare and colt is of a perishable nature and that it will be to the interest of said Estate that the same be sold \_\_\_\_\_ early a day in Mav Whereupon he ask an order for the sale of said property

19 February and 26<sup>th</sup> February 1863 and 16 October 1871 (all included here)

Sworn to & subscribed before me
this 26 <sup>th</sup> February 1863

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LaFayette, October 16<sup>th</sup> 1871 (sic)

Mrs. M. S. Allen

Bought of Allen, Trammell & Co.

Wholesale and Retail dealers in dry goods and groceries.

Bacon, Lard, Flour, etc.

June 1 To & gas figo illustin	25	2.00
Spool		.10
pr cotton		<u>.75</u>
		2.85

Rec'd Payment \_\_\_\_\_ Administrator

Allen Trammel &

J Appleby, Judge of Probate

October 16<sup>th</sup> 1871

#### 12 October 1869

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**Beverly Allen** dec'd Petition for Letters &c Oct 12/69 Recorded

(Document)
Petition of Letters of Administration

To the Hon **John Appleby** Judge of Probate for the County of Chambers.

The petition of **Joshua C. Allen** an inhabitant of this State and is upwards of twenty one years of age, respectfully represents unto your Honor that **Beverly Allen** departed this life intestate on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 1862. "Said" death having been known more than forty days since, leaving property in this county to the best of petitioner's knowledge and belief of about the value of two thousand dollars and not probably more. That said **Beverly Allen** was an inhabitant of this County at the time of his death. That your petitioner is a creditor of the intestate. That the heirs and distributes of the estate of said decedent, as your petitioner is advised and believes, are as follows, viz:

Churchill Allen, Charley C. Allen, Mahaley A. Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Flemming Allen, Lucy Allen, Mary J. Allen, & Alice B. Allen.

In consideration of the premises your petitioner respectfully suggests to your Honor that the former Administrator **Green B. Smith** has resigned, and that your petitioner is by law entitled to administer said estate and prays your Honor that such steps may be taken and such orders and decrees made, as may be deemed necessary and proper to secure the appointment of

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your petitioner to that trust according to law, and upon his given the requisite bond and security.

J. C. Allen

#### 12 October 1869

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**Beverly Allen** 

Bond Filed in office Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1869

Recorded

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State of Alabama, Chambers County.

# KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE

# Joshua Allen, Merina Allen &

of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto **John Appleby**, Judge of Probate for said County, and successors in office, in penal sum of four thousand Dollars; for the payment of which well and truly to be made and done, we bid ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly, severally and firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty ni(ne)

The condition of this obligation is such that whereas the above bound is such that whereas **Joshua Allen** has been appointed administrator de bonis non of the estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased. Now if he the said **Joshua Allen** shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such adm'r then the above obligation to be void – otherwise to remain in full force.

J. C. Allen Marena S. Allen T. B. Wyckoff

Approved this 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 1869

Jno Appleby

Judge of Probate

(Attached to Document)

State of Alabama, Chambers County.

Letters of Administration on the estate of **Beverly Allen** are hereby granted to **Joshua C. Allen**, who has duly qualified and given bond as such (is) authorized to administer such Estate, This 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 1870.

Jno Appleby,

#### 3 August 1870 – Petition to Sell Land

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Joshua Allen, Admr.

VS

The heirs of **Beverly Allen** dec'd

Petition to Sell Land

Filed Aug 3/70

Recorded

#### E. G. Richards & son

Attys

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State of Alabama Chambers County – Probate of Said County

To the Hon. **Jno. Appleby**, Judge of Said County:

The petition of **Joshua Allen**, administrator de bonis non, in said Court, of the estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased, respectfully shows that the personal property of said estate is insufficient to pay the debts that have been presented against said estate: That all the personal property which has come to the knowledge or possession of petitioner has been sold under and by virtue of the order and decree of this honorable Court, and the proceeds thereof applied, so far as realized, together with all other moneys belonging to said estate, to the payment of the debts of decedent, and such costs and expenses as have been legally incurred in and about the prosecution of said administration. Your petitioner, therefore states that the personal property of said estate so far as discovered by, or known to him, is wholly insufficient to pay the debts of said deceased, which have already been presented, and that for the purpose of paying the residue of said debts, it will be necessary to see those certain pieces and parcels of land, which are accurately described, as follows, being a part of the real property belonging to said estate, viz: The West half of the South West quarter of Section Seven in township twenty three of Range twenty three and the North East quarter of the South East quarter of section twelve in Township twenty three of Range twenty two, containing in all,

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One hundred and twenty acres, lying in the county of Chambers and State of Alabama. Your petitioner further shows that the heirs of said deceased are his eight children to wit: Churchill Allen, a minor over the age of fourteen years, Charley H. and Mahaley A. who are minors over fourteen years of age, and Sarah E., Fleming, Lucy V., Mary J. and Alice B. Allen, the five last mentioned are minors under fourteen years of age. All of said children are in the custody of their mother, Mrs. Mareny S. Allen in this county.

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that the lands above described may be ordered to be sold for the purpose of paying the debts of said estate, and that such proceedings, orders and decrees may be had and made as may be proper or necessary to legally effect the Sale of said lands for the purpose aforesaid. And petitioner avers that he believes it to be to the interes(t) of those interested in said estate and that the Same be sold and in such terms as to your Honor may seem meet for the interest of said estate and your petitioner will ever pray.

Sworn to & Subscribed to before me Augst 3<sup>rd</sup> 1870 **Jno Appleby** Judge of Probate **Joshua Allen** Adm'r de bonis non

# **19 September 1870**

The State of Alabama, Chambers County

#### To John Holmes and John J. James

Know Ye, that we, having full faith in your prudence and competency, have appointed you commissioners, and by these presents do authorize you, or any one or more of you, at such time place as you may appoint, to call before you and examine

# Churchwell Allen and James Alsobrooks John C. Loozer & <u>Lucia</u> N McKnight

as witnesses in a cause pending in our Probate Court of Chambers County, wherein **Joshua Allen** adm'r &c

Plaintiff and the Heirs of **Beverly Allen**, dec'd are

Defendants in behalf of the plaintiff on oath, to be by you administered upon Interrogatories annexed to his commission; to take and certify the deposition of the witness and return the same to our said Court, to be holden on 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in October next, under your hands and seals.

Witness: **John Appleby**, Judge of said Court, at Office, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1870.

# Jno Appleby Judge

Issued the (left blank) day of (left blank) 185(left blank)

(Note: In several court cases in the years following the Civil War, I found that they were "making do" with old forms.)

#### 18 January 1871

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**B. Allen** dec'd Report Sale of land Janry 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Recorded

Correct order so as to sell on 1, 2 & 3 years credit

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The State of Alabama Chambers County

Probate Court.

To the Hon. **John Appleby** Judge of Probate for said county.

Joshua C. Allen the administrator of the estate of Beverly Allen deceased respectfully represents to your Honor that on the fifth day of November 1870 between the hours of twelve o'clock noon and five o'clock in the afternoon in pursuance of law in such cases made and in strict compliance with the terms, conditions and requirements of the former order of this court which was the decree of sale made on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1870. He proceeded and sold at public outcry the premises the lands particularly set forth and described in said former order, to wit: The West half of the South West quarter of Section Seven in Township Twenty Three of Range twenty three and the North East quarter of the South East quarter of Section Twelve Township twenty three of Range twenty two in Tallapoosa County and that said land was bid off by Mrs. Marena Allen for the sum of two hundred and forty dollars that being the highest & best bid offered, and that sum was not greatly in proportionate to its real value when the cash had

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in part to be paid, as was the	ca _	_ by the order of this court	said former sale.

But he further reports that since said Sale one **David C(am)pbell** has agreed with this administrator and said **Mrs. Allen** to take said land and pay three hundred dollar for it by paying for the same in three annual payments of one hundred dollars each the first to be due on the fifth day of November 1871. This administrator believing it to be to the interest of the heirs and creditors of said **Beverly Allen** deceased to let said **Campbell** have said land on the terms proposed, and by the concent of said **Mrs. Marena Allen**, hereby reports said lands sold to said **David Campbell** for the sum of three hundred dollars payable in three annual payments the first due on the fifth day of November next,

Fully believing that the best interest of said estate will be promoted by said sale, he asks your Honor to approve the same. This administrator re(tain)ing a lein on said lands until the purchase money is all paid.

All \_\_\_\_\_ which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. Allen

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 18 January 1871 **Jno Appleby** Judge of Probate

#### 18 October 1872

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State of Alabama, Chambers County Probate Court

PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE FOR DISTRIBUTION.

Estate of **Beverly Allen**, Deceased

Filed in the office of the Judge Probate Court, the 28 day of October 1872, and the 9 day of Dec'r 1872 set for hearing.

John Appleby

Judge Probate Court.

Paryer granted, order of sale make, and petition ordered recorded this (left blank) day of (left blank) 18(left blank)

Unsigned

Judge Probate Court.

Recorded in Real Estate Sale Record (left blank) Page (left blank)

### E. G. Richards, Attorney

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The State of Alabama, Chambers County Probate Court

In the matter of the Estate of **Beverly Allen** Deceased. To the Hon. **John Appleby**, Judge of the Probate Court, Chambers County:

The undersigned, **J. C. Allen** your petitioner, by appointment of this Court Administrator of the estate of Beverly Allen deceased, would respectfully represent to your Honor, that the deceased died seized of the following lands, situate in said County and State, to wit: One hundred and seven acres off of the North end of East half Section 29 Township 24 Range 25 part of fractional half of fractional Sec 29 Township 24 Range 25 part of North half (1/2) on East side of Tallapoosa River Section 32 Twonship 24 and Range 25

Your petition further states that the names, ages, residences and condition of the heirs and assigns of said estate are as follows, to wit:

Marena S. Allen, widow of deceased, aged 29 years, Churchill Allen, aged 21 years. C. S. H. Allen aged 19 years, Mahala A. Allen aged 18 years, Sarah E. Allen

aged 16 years, **Hesaciah F. Allen** aged 14 years, **Lucy L. Allen** aged 12 years, **Mary J. Allen** aged 11 years, **Alice B. Allen** aged 10 years, all of whom reside in Chambers Co. Ala..

He further alleges that the lands cannot be equitably divided among said heirs without the sale thereof, (added above the line: that **Churchwell Allen** has and at the age of 21 years desires otherwise of the court), and therefore, prays that for the purpose of making such division equitable and just your Honor will grant an order directing petitioner to sell the lands hereinbefore described, and will make such orders herein as may be by law required, and to your honorable Court may seem meet.

J. C. Allen

The State of Alabama, Chambers County

**J. C. Allen**, being duly sworn deposes and says that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are true according to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Subscribed to and sworn to before me, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 1872

J. C. Allen

**Jno Appleby** 

Judge Probate Court.

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I accept the appointment of Guardian ad litem for the within named minors and deny each and every allegation contained in the within petition.

M. J. \_\_\_\_\_ Gud At Litem

Nov. 8, 1872

#### 28 October 1872

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M. S. Allen

L. V. Allen

M. J. Allen

A. B. Allen

M. S. (her X mark) Allen

(Note: All of the above were obviously signed by the same person. The top "M.S. Allen" is **Marina Serena Goss Allen** and the bottom X mark signature would be hers)

We acknowledge due and legal service & waive service copy by Sheriff. Oct 1872

C. H. Allen

C. S. H. Allen

M. A. Allen

S. E. Allen

H. F. Allen

(Note: The top two signatures are in one hand and the bottom three are obviously written by the another person – in fact they may have all been signed by the same person.)

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The State of Alabama, Chambers County.

To any Sheriff of the State of Alabama – Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summons, without delay, M. S. Allen, (C) Allen, C. S. H. Allen, M. A. Allen, S. E. Allen, H. F. Allen, & Lucy L. Allen, M. J. Allen, Alice B. Allen minors by service on their said mother M. S. Allen.

Personally to be and appear before the Honorable Judge of Probate for Chambers County, at the Court House thereof, on the 9 day of Dec'r 1872, then and there to show cause, if any they have, why the Application of **J. C. Allen** Adm'r of the estate of **Beverly Allen** dec'd for the sale of the real estate belong to said estate for division among those entitled should not be granted.

And have you, then and there, this Writ and your endorsement thereon. Witness my hand, at office, this 28 day of Oct A.D. 1872

**Jno Appleby** 

#### 21 Nov 1872

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	connect to sale of land & claim to dower in money.
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The State of Alabama, Chambers County

I hereby relinquish all claims to dower interest in all of the lands and real estate belonging to the estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased and hereby consent that the same be sold according to law, and that I as the widow of said **Beverly Allen** deceased consent to receive only the same portion arising from the proceeds of said sale in money as I may be entitled to as such widow.

Marena S. (her X mark) Allen

Sworn to &c
Nov 21 Nov 1872

Jno Appleby

Judge of Probate

9 December 1872 (Note: Parts of this document are <u>extremely</u> difficult to read. If a word cannot be deciphered or if there is some question, it will be represented with an underline. (Cover of Document)
J. C. Allen, Adm'r vs The Heirs of Beverly Allen, deceased
Interrogatories to
I acknowledge due & legal service Dec'r 9, 1872 W. J Gd. Ad. Litem
Richards
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Joshua C. Allen, Adm'r of the estate of Beverly Allen, deceased vs The Heirs of said Allen
In the Probate Court of Chambers County
Interrogatories to the <u>proponnace</u> to <b>James A. Talbot, Joseph F. Looser</b> . (blank space) for the petitioners whose testimony when taken be offer in evidence on the trial of this county.
Int. 1 <sup>st</sup> Do you know the parties to the above entitled cause?
Int. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Do you know the number of children which the deceased <b>Beverly Allen</b> left surviving him. If you state the n(ames) and whether any of them are now over 21 years of age & if you state which of them?
Int. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Do you know the lands owned by Beverly Allen (late of Chambers County) at the time of his death, on which his widow now lives? If you can state whether or not, said lands could be equitably and beneficially divided among said several heirs without a sale

E. G. Richards
Atty for \_\_\_\_\_

Jno Appleby, Judge of Probate

of the same or not. State fully.

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The State of Alabama, Chambers County

Joshua C. Allen, Admr, vs the heirs of **Beverly Allen**, dec'd.

By virtue of the Commission hereto annexed, issued from the office of the Judge of Probate for the County of Chambers, State of Alabama.

I the Commissioner therein named have caused the Said **J. A. Talbot & J. F. Looser** to witnesses named in Said commission on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 1872 in the town of LaFayette, and having duly continued and sworn the said witnesses to spe(ak) the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, then the said witnesses deposeth and saith as follows:

To the 1<sup>st</sup> interrogatory they saith – They know the parties in the above entitled \_\_\_\_\_.

To the 2<sup>nd</sup> interrogatory they saith – They know the number of children left surviving **Beverly Allen** dec'd. That the number is eight and (that) **Churchill Allen** is the only one of them more than 21 years of age.

To the 3<sup>rd</sup> interrogatory they saith – They know the lands owned by **Beverly Allen** (late of Chambers County) at the time of his death, and on which his widow now lives, and that it is their opinion that said lands cannot be equitably and beneficially divided among said heirs without a sale of the same.

James A. Talbot Joseph F. Looser

Jno Appleby, Judge of Probate.

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I, J. M. Richards, the Commissioners in said Commission named, do hereby certify that the foregoing testimony and answers, taken down and written by me in the worlds of the witnesses, **J. A. Talbot** and **J. F. Looser**, were read over to them; that they answered, swore to and subscribed the same in my presence, at the time and place herein mentioned; that I have personal knowledge of the personal identity of said witnesses; that we are not of counsel or kin to either of the parties to said cause nor interested in the event thereof, and w(e) enclose the said testimony together with \_\_\_\_ commission and the interrogatories to \_\_\_\_ Judge of Probate, whense the same ema\_\_\_\_\_ as my full execution of said commis(sion).

Given under my hand and Seal this the (\_9\_) day of December 1872.

# J. M. Richard

Commissioner's fee \$5.00

# **30 December 1872**

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ale		
<b>B. Allen</b> , dec'd Report sale of Property		
Dec'r 30 <sup>th</sup> 1872		
Recorded		
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<u> </u>		estate of <b>Beverly Allen</b> deceased & balance on (cre)dit of twelve
Lot Plows & hoes	W. W. Champion	.15
	M. A. Todd	1.25
	H. Lete	1.55
Lot Irons	S. H. Teller	.70
_ pr		.55
Plow Stack	Jet Hodnett	1.10
Axes & Wedge	W. A. Todd	1.00
Hand Saw Match Planes	Charley Allen C. H. Jackson	.20 .35
Iron Square	R. F. Sanders	.33 .70
Claw Hammer	Mrs. Allen	.60
Jack Planer	Mrs. Allen	.05
Hone Plane	Joshua Allen	.90
Drawing knife	Mrs. Allen	.55
Lot Irons & chains	Joshua Allen	.75
pitcher	Mrs. Allen	2.55
Plow gear	C. H. Allen	.20
(Cro)ss cut Saw	G. H. Clifton	.80
thing Cradle	Pat Turner	1.20
Lot of 20 bushels corn	<b>S. H. Tiller</b> 91	18.20
" 20 " "	" " 89	17.80
" 20 " "	" " 89	17.80

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1 Lot of Shucks

20

20

1 Lot of Shucks **John Leverette** missing

80

90

90

16.00

18.00 18.00

2 (Lot of Shucks)	(John Leverette)	missing
500 lbs Fodder	G. B. Sorrell 85	missing
1 Mule	J. H. Walls	missing
1 Sorrel Mare	Wm. Bishop	missing
1 Red Cow & calf	Elic Bibby	missing
1 Heffer Yearling	"	missing
1 Black Sow & pigs	<b>Hull Teammell</b>	missing
1 White Sow	C. T. Carter	missing
1 spotted Sow	John Medow	missing
5 Shoats	A. J. Carlton	missing
1 Blue Sow & 4 pigs	C. T. Carter	missing
1 Black Sow	J. H. Walls	missing
		358. missing

The State of Alabama, Chambers County

Pers(onally) came before me, John Apple(by) Judge of Probate for the cou(nty) aforesaid **J. C. Allen** adminis(trator) of the estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased, who being \_\_\_\_\_ sworn says that the fo(regoing) account contains a correc(t) account of the of the sale of person(al) property sold by him on (the) 16 day of December 1872 be(long)ing to said estate. Sworn to & subscribed this 30<sup>th</sup> December 1872.

# J. C. Allen

# Jno Appleby

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# **Bevaly Allen**

Filed Nov. 12 1873

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The State of Alabama, Randolph County

Personally appeared before me **W. W. Dobson** Probate Judge for Randolph county Ala **W. S. Heflin**, a practicing Physician of said county and after being sworn deposeth and sayeth that the estate of **Bevaly Allen** of Chambers County Alabama deceased is justly indebted to him the sum of \$70.00 for Services rendered said deceased in the year 1862. Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1873.

W. W. Dobson

W. S. Heflin

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**Mrs. Serena Allen,** widow petition for portion of money

Recorded

I acknowledge services of the within petitioner & name copys times & consent that the same be heard this day 1873

J. C. Allen Adm'r

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To the Hon **John Appleby** Judge of Probate of Chambers county, Alabama.

This petition of **Serena Allen** widow of the late **Beverly Allen** now deceased and whose estate is now being administered in this court by one **Joshua C. Allen** as administrator thereof respectfully shows that as the widow of said deceased she filed her \_\_\_tted consent in this court that her dower interest in certain lands \_\_\_\_ to be sold and which belonged (to one) **Beverly Allen** deceased at the (time o)f his death should be sold (and) the residue of said land that an order for such sale of said lands including said dower interest was made by said court. She states said lands was sold by said administrator on the 13 day of October 1873 and the aggr\_\_\_ amount of the sale of said lands was the sum of Twenty seven hundred & fifty one & 90/100 dollars, as will \_\_\_\_ appeas by reference to the report of sale of said lands this day made by said administrator.

Your petitioner therefore prays (tha)t your Honor will make enqu(iry) into the facts aforesaid and

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that said administrator be cited to show cause if any he have why your Honor shall not make an order allowing your petitioner a fair equavalent for her dower \_\_\_\_\_ in said lands, and \_\_\_\_\_ that the sum be paid to h(er) by said administrator wh\_\_\_ the money for which said land sold shall have been paid.

And as in duty bound she will ever pray &c

Sworn to &c 15 Nov. 1873

Serena Allen

**Jno Appleby** 

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The State of Alabama, Chambers, County REPORT OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE ESTATE OF

Beverly Allen, Deceased.

Filed in the office of the Judge Probate Court, approved and ordered recorded and sale confirmed, this 15 day of Nov. 1873

Jno Appleby, Judge Probate Court

Recorded in Real Estate Sale Record A, page 305

Widows account Interest \$254.39

\_\_ Richards

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The State of Alabama, Chambers County.

In Probate Court.

In the Matter of the Estate of **Beverly Allen**, Deceased.

To the Hon. **John Appleby**, Judge Probate Court, Chambers County.

The undersigned **Joshua C. Allen**, adm de bonis non, of the Estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased, would respectfully report, that, by virtue of a decree rendered by your Honorable Court, on the 19 day of Dec'r 1872 (left blank) did, on the 13 day of October 1873 between the hours of eleven o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the premises in Chambers County, offer for sale, at public vendue, the lands described in said decree, and that for the North 1/2 of the South East quarter of Section 29 in Township Twenty four of Range Twenty Five **John J. Bishop** bid the sum of \$15.00 dollars per acre there being 80 acres came to \$1,200.00 dollars. He being the highest & best bidder became the purchaser for that sum.

For the South East 1/4 of the South East quarter of Section 29 in Twonship 24, Range 25, **John S. Sims** bid the sume of \$3.76 cts per acre there being 40 acres came to \$150.40. That being the highest & best bid offered (he) became the purchaser for that sum.

That for the South West 1/4 of the North East quarter of Section 29 in Township 24 of Range 25 **Serena Allen** bid the sum of \$7.50 cents per acre there being 40 acres

came to \$300.00. That being the highest & best bid offered she became the purchaser for that sum.

That for the West 1/2 of the North East quarter of section 32 in Township 24 of Range 25, **Serena Allen** bid the sum of \$5.00 cts per acre there being 80 acres came to the sum of \$400.00 dollars. For the North 1/2 of the North West quarter of section 32 Township 24 of Range 25 (Note. **Serena Allen** is crosses out as being the highest bidder). Also for all of the South 1/2 of the South West quarter of Section 29 which lies South of the Tallapoosa River (several words cannot be read) of Range 25. **Serena Allen** bid the sum of \$1.25 cts per acre and there being 110 acres in \_\_\_\_ came to \$137.50. That being the highest & best bid offered she became the purchaser for that \_\_\_\_ of both of said tracts.

For the South 1/2 of the North West quarter of section 32 in Township 24 of Range 25 (**Cha)rles Allen** bid the sum of \$4.00 per (acre there) being 80 acres came to the sum of \$320.00 Dollars, that being the highest bid he became the purchaser for the item.

Since administrator first reports that said sale was fairly conducted and all proceedings pertaining thereto were conducted in strict accordance with the requirements of law and of the former order & decree of said court, directing said sale. He further reports that previous to said sale, he advertised the day, place and terms of said sale and a description of said lands, by printed handbill posted at the courthouse door & then other public places in the county aforesaid for more than three successive weeks before said day of sale. He further reports that said sale was on terms one half cash and the other half on a credit of twelve months from day of sale. He further reports that said several purchasers have complied with the terms of said sale by paying one half cash and said administrator taking notes for the other half due twelve months after da(te) of sale as required by law.

He further reports that(Serena Allen)ist in said land	•		•
acknowledgement of dower before	•	•	i nei right to an
all of which is respectfully submitte	ed.	J. C. Allen	
The state of Alabama, Chambers County.			

**J. C. Allen** being duly sworn, depose and say that the facts alleged in the foregoing report are true according to the best of (left blank) knowledge, information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of November 1873

Jno Appleby, Judge Probate Court.

#### **1874 December 14**

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PROBATE COURT Chambers County Estate of **B. Allen**, deceased

Final Settlement
Filed in the office of the Judge Probate
Court this 14 day of Dec'r 1874 and the 20 day of Jan
187(5) appointed as day of settlement.

#### Peter M. Rowland

Judge Probate Court, Chambers Co.

Audited, stated, decree thereon rendered, and ordered recorded, this (left blank) day of (left blank) 187(left blank)

Unsigned

Judge Probate Court (left blank) co.

Recorded in (left blank) Record, Page 114

(Document) REMARKS

Amount of claims against the Estate still unpaid \$ (left blank) all of which is respectfully submitted.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Chambers County.

Before me **P. M. Roland**, Judged of Probate Court of said County, personally appeared **Joshua C. Allen**, Administrator of the Estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased, who being duly sworn makes oath that the forgoing (left blank) account current is a full and correct statement of all his dealings and transactions, and of all moneys and effects received and paid out by him on account of said estate, and that he has not used any of the funds of said estate for his own benefit.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 14 day of December 1874

J. C. Allen

Peter M. Rowland

Judge Probate Court, Chambers County

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Chambers County.

**Joshua C. Allen** Administrator of the Estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased, being duly sworn, makes oath that

Serena Allen aged (left blank) years, residing in widow of dec'd **Churchill Allen** aged 25 years, residing in (left blank) C. S. H. Allen aged 21 years, residing in (left blank) Mahala A. Welch aged over 21 wife of Alexander Welch (Sarah) E. Allen aged 18 years, residing in J. J. Bishop (Hezekiah) F. Allen aged 16 years, residing in (left blank) 14 " (Lucy V.) Allen Jno. S. Sims (Mary) J. Allen 13 " Serena Allen

Alice B. Allen 12 " " All Reside in Chambers County

Except Welch & wife who reside in Tallapoosa County

are the heirs and devisees of said deceased, according to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 14 day of Dec'r A.D. 1874

Joshua C. Allen

P. M. Rowland

Judge Probate Court, (left blank) County.

#### **14 December 1874**

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Chambers County. PROBATE COURT.
Appointment and Acceptance of GUARDIAN AD LITEM in Final Settlement In the Matter of Estate of B. Allen, Deceased Filed this 14 day of Dec'r 1874

P. M. Rowland

Judge Probate Court.

(Document)

The State of Alabama, Chambers County.

Probate Court, Dec'r 14, Term 1874

#### To O. S. Burnett

Take Notice, That by an order of this Court, this day made and entered, you were appointed to act as Guardian ad Litem for **Sarah E. Allen, Hezekiah Allen, Lucy L. Allen, Mary J. Allen, & Alice B. (Al)len.** minor heirs of **Beverly Allen,** deceased, to represent and protect their interests, upon the application of **Joshua C. Allen,** Administrator for final Settlement & Distribution.

Given under my hand this 14 day of Dec'r 1874. **Peter M. Rowland,**Judge Probate Court.

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I hereby accept the appointment of Guardian ad Litem for **Sarah E. Allen, Hezekiah Allen, Lucy L. Allen, Mary J. Allen** and **Alice B. Allen,** minors, and as such Guardian ad litem deny the corrections of said accounts and each and every item charged on the credit side thereof and demand that strict proof be made as to the (correc)tness of the same. Dec 14, 1874.

O. S. Burnett, Guardian ad litem

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA
(left blank) County,
PROBATE COURT.
REPORT
OF PAYMENT OF PURCHASE MONEY
IN SALE OF REAL ESTATE
Estate of
Beverly Allen, deceased
Filed in the office of the Judge Probate
Court, accepted and ordered recorded this
9<sup>th</sup> day of November 1875

# P. M. Rowland

Judge Probate Court.

Order of conveyance made this 9 day of November 1875.

# P. M. Rowland

Judge Probate Court.

Recorded 307

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(Note: Parts of this document are VERY difficult to read)

The State of Alabama, Chambers County.

To the Hon. **Peter M. Roland** Judge Probate Court, Chambers County;

The undersigned, **Joshua C. Allen**, administrator of the estate of **Beverly Allen**, deceased, would respectfully report that at a sale of real estate of said deceased, made in accordance with a decree entered in this Court on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1872, which sale has been duly reported to said Court, and said sale confirmed that **John J. Bishop** became the purchaser of the North half South East quarter Section 29, in T 24 of Range 25 and then and there complied with the terms of said sale. He further reports that the said **John J. Bishop** has now paid him in full the purchase money, and therefore asks that an order be made authorizing him to make and convey titles to said land to the said **John J. Bishop**.

He further reports that at said sale **John S. Sims** became the purchaser of the South East 1/4 of the North East quarter of S. 29, T. 24 of R 25. That said sale has been duly confirmed in this court. He further reports that said **John S. Sims** has now paid him in full the purchase money and he therefore asks an order be made authorizing him to make & convey titles to said land to the said **John S. Sims**.

He further reports that at said sale **Churchwell Allen** became the purchaser of the E. 1/2 of the North East quarter of Sec. 32 in T 24 of R25. That said **Churchwell Allen** 

fully complied with the terms of said sale and that said **Churchwell Allen** has now paid him in full the purchase money and

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therefore asks that an order be made authorizing him to make and convey title to said lands to said **Churchwell Allen**.

He further reports that at said sale **Serena Allen** became the purchaser of the following lands, to wit: The South West 1/4 of the North East quarter of Sec 29 in T 24 of R 25. The West 1/2 of the North East quarter of Sec 32 in T 24 of R 25. The North 1/2 of the North West quarter of Sec 32 in T 24 of R 25. Also all of the South 1/2 of the South West quarters of Sec 29 in T 24 of R 25 which lies south of the Tallapoosa River. Which sale has been duly reported to said court and said sale confirmed. He further reports that the said **Serena Allen** has now paid him in full the purchase money, and therefore asks an order be made authorising him to make and convey title to said lands to said **Serena Allen**.

He further reports that at said sale **Charles Allen** became the purchaswer of the South 1/2 of the North West Quarter of Sec 32 in T 24 of R 25 which sale has been duly reported to said court, and said sale confirmed that said purchaser then & there complied with the terms of said sale. He further reports, that said **Charles Allen** has now paid him in full the purchase money and therefore asks an order be made authorising him to convey title to said land to said **Charles Allen**.

All of which is respectfully submitted, This (left blank) of November 1875.

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING IS A SERIES OF VOUCHERS FOUND WITH THE ESTATE PAPERS. THEY ARE NOT IN ANY DATE ORDER BUT PRESENTED AS THEY WERE GROUPED. I HAVE TRIED TO KEEP THEM IN SOME KIND OF ORDER WHEN PAID, BUT IF YOU SEEK ONE YOU WILL NEED TO CHECK THE ENTIRE LIST.

# First Voucher

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Voucher in Estate

of

**Beverly Allen** 

(Document)

A test of names Mrs. R. Allen Children

Churchill Allen Charles Allen Mahala Allen Elizabeth Allen Lucy Allen Jane Allen Flemman Allen Alice Allen

Figures are shown in several places on the form but not identified:

20.25	26 6
	4(
	106 40
	188.00
	294.40
	400.00
	85.55
	130.00
	140.00
	1049.95

1407.90 1136.16 271.78

End of Voucher

Second Voucher
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voucher 2
(Cover of document)
Rec'd Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> 1 Ten Dollars
\$20.00 Bev Allen
(Note: The next three are very difficult to read but appear to have <b>Beverly Allen</b> 's actual signature).
(Document)
Walter dak I phromis to pay Tanspr on is barg the sume of Twenty Dollars for value rec'd this 5 Dec 1860.  Beverly Allen
(My best guess: (To) <u>Walter Dark</u> I promise to pay transfer on his barge the sum of twenty dollars or value received this 5 December 1860. Beverly Allen)
Third Voucher
(Cover of Document)
#4 due on this Not(e) \$75.20
(Document)
\$71.40 cr Dew <b>J. C. Allen</b> or Seventy one and 40/00 of A Dollar for value Received this the 6 of September 1862 <b>Beverly Allen</b> (appears to be his actual signature)

Fourth Voucher
(Cover of Document) <b>B. Allen</b> \$80.00
No. 9
Rec'd on this note three dollars December 25 <sup>th</sup> 1861
Buy the twenty fifth of Dc mer (December) I Promest (promised) to pay <b>frances pardveg</b> on the sum of forth Dollars for value Received the the 14 of January 1860 <b>Beverly Allen</b> (appears to be his actual signature)
Fifth Voucher
(Document)
Received of <b>J. C. Allen</b> Admr of <b>Beverly Allen</b> received \$9.90 dollars April the 21 <sup>st</sup> 1873
B. D. Williams
Received the within Note \$8.50 Dollars Nov 20 1873
Sixth Voucher
(Cover of Document)
V #16 <b>J. C. Allen</b> \$21.06
(Document)
\$19.42
Received of <b>J. C. Allen</b> Adm. of <b>Beverly Allen</b> nineteen 42/100 (penalty one & ninty & 94/100) Dollars on this Date to payannual interest on Chambers County Subscription to the Bufalia, Opelika, Oxford & Guntersville, R.R. for 1870. <b>B. L. Dyer</b> , Tax Collector
Int 683  199 penalty 877

# Seventh Voucher

(Document) \$18.00 by the first day of Nov Next we or Either of us Promise to pay <b>B. D. Williams</b> or Besser Eighteen dollars for value recie (received) of him Feby 27 <sup>th</sup> 1872.  Mrs. M. S. (her X mark) Allen  Mrs. E. E (her X mark) Welch  Int. 293
IIII. 293
Eighth Voucher
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Beverly Allen Note \$49.80/100
Voucher 3
(Document)
\$59.05
\$49.80 cts Buy the twenty fifth of December next I promist to pay <b>Thomas Palridge</b> or barer the sum of forty nine Dollars an 80/00 hundreth of A dollar for value Received this the 11 of November 1861 <b>Beverly Allen</b>
Ninth Voucher
Ninth Voucher
(Cover of Document)
Beverly Allen Note 1.10.00
Received on the within note \$1.10 Feb. 6 <sup>th</sup> 1863
(Document)
\$1.18.00
By the twenty-fifth of December next I promise to pay <b>Elisha Ford</b> on (loan) one hundred and ten dollars forin of a negroe man <b>Jasper</b> for due received Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup> 1861

Bevirly Allen G. B. Smith

# Tenth Voucher

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No 7

(Document)

1863

Beverly Allen Dr.

\$ cts to John G. Lindsey

February the 1 to 2.80 for Tombstone

State of Alabama, Tallapoosa county

Before me **William Candles** a Justice of the Peace in and for said County in person came **John G. Lindsey** who being duly sworn deposes and says that the above account of Two Dollars and Eighty cents against **Beverly Allen** Deceased is Just as stands stated.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 1863

John G. Lindsey

William Candles, J. P.

# Eleventh Voucher

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(Document)

Serena Allen Dr to J. C. Allen	1869
August the 1 To one Lady hat	3.00
" 2 F	.50
Oct the 1 2 T	.50
Dec the 1 2 "	.50
Jan 2	.50
1871 To Gal Sarup (syrup)	1.25
" To plug of Tobaco	.30
June 27 To Galon half surup (syrup)	1.87 1/2

May the 10	" " 2 Galons "	2.50
" " 27	To 2 Gal of surup (syrup)	2.50
June 22	To 1 1/2 Gal "	1.87 1/2
"	To 45 lbs salt	1.55
July the 12	To 2 Galons surup (syrup)	2.50
August 18	To 36 lbs Bacon @ 25 cts	9.00
Sept	To 43 lbs Beef at 5 cts	2.15
То	money lone \$1.00 Dollar	1.00
То	Tabaco	2.00
(several entr	ries crossed out)	
То	Clors & Actioners	3.00
		\$36.30

(Second Page of Voucher) State of Alabama, Tallapoosa county

Personally appeared before me, **J. H. Pittman** a Justice of the Peace for said county **J. C. Allen** who being duly sworn says that the within account & statements is just and true as it stands stated.

Sworn to & subscribed before me January 16, 1875

J. H. Pittman, J. P.

J. C. Allen

# Twelfth Voucher

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V26

(Document)

# 1872 Mrs. M. S.Allen Bot of W. B. Nichols

M	ar				
"	26	To	1 Curry Comb		.25
"	"	"	1 Box W. P. Caps		.20
M	ay 7	"	1 Lot Brade		.50
"	"	"	1 Tin Dipper		.25
"	"	"	2 Pc Tobaco		.40
"	"	"	2 Paresols		1.75
"	"	"	1 Card Buttons		.10
"	"	"	1 Hair Net		.40
"	44	44	1 box Hair pins		.10
"	"	"	2 Pr Gloves	50	1.00
"	"	"	1 Box Pant Buttons		.35

	"	1 yd Belting		.50
"	"	2 " Gasonet	50	1.00
"	"	8 " Bleaching	12	1.00
"	"	3 3/4 yd "	20	.75
"	"	2 Lads Hats	3	6.00
"	"	3 " H Kfds	25	.50
"	"	1 Paper Needle		.10
June 12	"	1 lbs Copper as		.10
"	"	1 oz Indigo		.20
"	"	1 plug Tobacco		.20
July 15	"	3 1/2 lbs Coffee		<u>1.10</u>
				17.75

# (Second Page of Voucher)

Amt Brot ov	er		17.75
August 31	To	3 jars Bleaching 20	.60
"	66	1 Shirt Front	.75
"	"	1/2 Doz Pearl Buttons	.10
"	"	1 White Hat	3.00
"	"	1 La H. Kfa	.25
"	"	1 Box Collars	.25
Oct 7	"	1 Sive	.35
			23.05
Nov 5	By C	ash	8.50
	•		14.55
	Inter	est 3 years	3.48
		•	\$18.03

Received of **J. C. Allen**, Admin of **Beverly Allen** Deceased \$17.10 cents For Value. Receipt this Nov.  $9^{th}$  1875

# F. P. Nichols for W. B. Nichols

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# Thirteenth Voucher

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# Mrs. Allen

310

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# Mrs. Serena Allen to Roberts and Co.

July 29	to mend	.40
Sept 26	to shoe Mair N_end	1.50
_	to shoe Mule 2 pair	.75
	to out iron wedge	.25
	to 2 bands on Balster	.25
	to 2 wagon tires	1.00
Dec 10	to lay 2 plows	.60
	to reset one	50
		5.35
Cre	edit by 2 Bushels of potatoes	2.25
		3.10

# Fourteenth Voucher

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April 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Received Payment in full by **J. C. Allen**, as administrator Int. 2.00 **C. H. Belcher** 

(Document)

**Mrs. Serinia Allen** Dr to Belcher & Bobberd for Blacksmithing done 1870 Amount \$5.45 cts.

# Fifteenth Voucher

(Document)

State of Alabama, Chambers County.

Received of **Marena S. Allen** the sum of Twenty four dollars and 10 cents, being in full of the amount of Taxes due the State of Alabama and County of Chambers, for the year 1872, on the following:

(Real Estate) Personal Prop.

Value Value State Tax County Tax Sinking Fund Total Tax. 1500. 54 1/2 7.77 1/2 15.55 .777 \$24.10 Int. 5.45 Special Tax Aggregate

W. H. Clemons, Tax Collector.

# Sixteenth Voucher

(Document)

The State of Alabama, Chambers County.

Probate Court No. 109

Received Janry 31<sup>st</sup> 1874, of **J. C. Allen**, Administrator of the Estate of **Beverly Allen** deceased, Twenty eight & 40/100 Dollars in part of (left blank) fees accrued.

\$28.40 **Jno Appleby.** 

(Seventeenth Voucher)

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#### **Allens**

not(e) 64.17

paid March the 1, 1863 \$65.02

# (Document)

6417 By the twenty fifth of December next I promist to pay **Gaston Turner** or bearer the sum of sixty four 17/100 \_\_\_\_\_ for a boy name **Allen** and to furnish said boy with comfortable clothing and pay all necessary expenses this Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 1862.

# **Beverly Allen**

(Eighteenth Voucher)

LaFayette, Ala Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1874

# Mrs. M. S. Allen

Bought of G. M. & J. B. Gamble

Dealers in Groceries and General Merchandise.

Terms Cash South East Corner Court Square.

To acct 1872	36.72
To pr. Shoes	2.25
	38.97
To Int 2 yr \$38.97	6.22
•	45.19

Rec'd of **Joshua C. Allen** Admistr of the estate of **Beverly Allen** Dec'd forty five 19/100 Dollars, this Dec'r 9<sup>th</sup> 1874

# G. M. & J. B. Gamble

50.50	Int. 330
<u>45.19</u>	
4.81	

# END OF ESTATE DOCUMENTATION AVAILABLE FOR BEVERLY ALLEN.

#### PERSONAL NOTES ABOUT THE ESTATE PAPERS FOR BEVERLY ALLEN

# Facts contained in these documents:

- Beverly Allen died 20 December 1862.
- His eight children are named, but no difference made between the children of his wife Mary C. Goss Allen and Marina Serena Goss Allen. The documentation for Mary and "Rena's" father, C. S. H. Goss (also found in my files) proves that Churchill, Charles S.H., and Mahala A, were the children of Mary C. Goss Allen, and the remainder of the children were born to Marina Serena.
- There is a voucher for \$2.80 for a tombstone purchased from a man in "Tallapoosa County", Alabama.
- The "third" voucher shows Beverly Allen conducting business as late as 6 September 1862, less than two months before his death. He was only 34 years old when he died, and he died intestate (without a will), just at the beginning of the Civil War. Doubtless this influenced the final value of his estate AND the length of time it took to settle the estate.
- The second administrator of his estate (there is no indication why Green B. Smith resigned as the administrator), **Joshua C. Allen**, was Beverly's brother.
- John Looser and James A. Talbot who testified for the estate were neighbors of Beverly Allen on the 1860 Chambers County, Alabama census.