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GEORGE S. MERRITT

ESTATE

1853

HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA

George S. Merriett's
Estate
Commodore P. Williams
Geo. A. Merriett
Admiral

No. ~~54~~ 54

100 words of settlement that
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John James Clerk of the Court

198, 214, 224, 234, 244, 254, 264, 274, 284, 294, 304, 314, 324, 334, 344, 354, 364, 374, 384, 394, 404, 414, 424, 434, 444, 454, 464, 474, 484, 494, 504, 514, 524, 534, 544, 554, 564, 574, 584, 594, 604, 614, 624, 634, 644, 654, 664, 674, 684, 694, 704, 714, 724, 734, 744, 754, 764, 774, 784, 794, 804, 814, 824, 834, 844, 854, 864, 874, 884, 894, 904, 914, 924, 934, 944, 954, 964, 974, 984, 994

State of Indiana, Hendricks County Jo.

I John Irons clerk of the Court of
Common Pleas of Hendricks County, hereby certify
that Harlan Carter and Timothy D. Fancett
have this day been selected by me and Jimmy
Merritt the widow of George S. Merritt deceased
to appraise the estate belonging to said
deceased, and return an Inventory thereof
to the clerk's office of the Court of Common
Pleas.

In Testimony whereof I hereto
set my hand and affix the seal
of said Court at Danville this
12th day of August A.D. 1833.
John Irons clerk

Geo. S. Merrett, Estate

Certificate of appointment
of appraisers

Aug 12. 1853



George Meritt
To Dr. David E Carter Dr
To Medical Servis per daughter \$450.

State of Indiana Hendricks County ss

I, David E Carter swear that the above account
against the Estate of George Meritt is just and true
and remains wholly unpaid. so help me God.

D E Carter

Subscribed & Sworn to before me September 27. 1852.
John Irons Clerk

No 11 A/B- 56

George Meuth's Estate

To

David E Carter

Account 450

Default Dismissed

Filed in my Office 27th
September 1854

John Irons Clerk

Clerk, Costs 3,68

Know all Men, That we, Commodore P. Williams and George M. Merritt

are bound unto the State of Indiana, in the penal sum of Seven Hundred
dollars, for the payment of which we, jointly and severally,
bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administrators. Sealed and dated the
5th day of September 1853

The Condition of the above Obligation is, That if the above bound
Commodore P. Williams shall faithfully discharge the
duties of his trust as administrator of the estate of
George M. Merritt deceased, according to law, then the above
obligation is to be void, else to remain in full force.

C. P. Williams



G. W. Merritt



Approved by me, the 5th day of September 1853.

John Jones

C. C. C. P. Hamilton County.

Geo. M. Merritt's Estate

Filed in my office Sept.

5 1853 John Jones clerk

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STATE OF INDIANA, *Hendricks* County, ss.

I, *Commodore J. Williams* swear that I will faithfully discharge
the duties of my trust as administrator of the estate of
Henry S. Merritt, deceased, according to law, so help me God.

Commodore J. Williams
Subscribed and sworn to before me, the *3th* day of *September* 185*3*.

John Evans
C. C. C. P. *Hendricks* COUNTY.

STATE OF INDIANA, *Hendricks* County, ss.

I, *Commodore J. Williams* swear that I am worth over and above my
indebtedness, *One thousand* dollars, as I believe, so help me God.

Commodore J. Williams
Subscribed and sworn to before me, the *3th* day of *September* 185*3*.

John Evans
C. C. C. P. *Hendricks* COUNTY.

STATE OF INDIANA, *Hendricks* County, ss.

I, *George M. Merritt* swear that I am worth over and above my
indebtedness, *thirty five hundred* dollars, as I believe, so help me God.

George M. Merritt
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *3th* day of *September* 185*3*.

John Evans
C. C. C. P. *Hendricks* COUNTY.

An Inventory of the personal estate (then being no real estate) of George S. Merritt late of the County of Hendricks and State of Indiana, taken and appraised by Timothy D. Hancock and Harlan Carter disinterested householders of said County, duly appointed for that purpose according to law,

	cts.	Amt Bro't up.	
$\frac{3}{4}$ of 20 hogs.	26 25	1 Table	\$252 65
1 horse	100 00	1 Churn	1 50
1 Cow & calf	24 00	1 Saddle	75
1 "	18 00	1 Halter & Martingals	3 00
9 head of sheep	9 00	1 Lot of potatoes.	50
1 plough	4 00	$\frac{3}{8}$ of 20 acres of Corn	50
Pot. Kettle & 2 Shillees	3 25	$\frac{3}{8}$ of 200 Bushels of a Lot	45 00
1 Bake oven	25	of Wheat.	37 50
1 Large Spinning wheel & reel	3 00	$\frac{3}{8}$ of 40 dozen of oats. @ 15¢ per doz.	2 25
2 Blankets	2 50		\$343 65
8 Quills	16 00		
3 Beds & Bedding	21 00		
4 Chairs	1 00	Given under our hands Aug.	
1 Chopping axe & Rifle gun.	5 75	19. 1853.	
1 Clock	4 00	Timothy D Hancock	
21 ^{lb} Wood Pots @ 45	9 45	Harlan Carter appraisers	
1 Flaxhackle clevis & drawing chain	1 25		
Fine shroud	25		
1 Bake oven & 2 Buckets	50		
Melassus Can & Presser dish	50		
4 Glass Tumblers 12th plates.	55		
Teacups & saucers, cream			
ing Sugar Bowl & 2			
Large bowls	1 15		
12th knives & forks	1 00		
	\$252 65		

State of Indiana Hendricks County, Ind.

Be it known that on this 19th day of August A.D. 1853, Timothy D. Fancett and Harlan Carter personally appeared before the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Hendricks County, who being by said Clerk duly sworn, upon their oath do depose and say that the within appraisal is a true valuation of all the personal estate of George I. Merritt dec'd, exhibited to them, according to their judgment.

Timothy D. Fancett.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, August 19, 1853.
John Irons Clerk.

George I. Merritt Estate.

Inventory & Appraisement

\$ 343.65

Filed in my office Aug
19, 1853
John Irons
Clerk.

Received of C. P. Williams Adm^r of the
Estate of George S. Merritt deceased two dollars
for publishing Notice of Letter and Sale of the
personal property of said Estate
Oct. 23rd 1854. Lewis & Kennedy

The State of Indiana Hendricks County
In Court of Common Pleas October Term A.D. 1853
Peter S. Kennedy one of the Editors of the Danville Weekly Advertiser a weekly
Newspaper of general circulation printed and published in said County of Hendricks
being duly sworn upon his oath says that the following notice to wit
Administrator's Notice.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the un-
dersigned has taken letters of adminis-
tration on the estate of George S. Merritt,
deceased, late of Hendricks County, Ind., and
that said estate is probably insolvent.
Sept. 10, 1853—3:3w: (see \$1).
C. P. WILLIAMS, Adm^r.
has been published in said paper for three weeks in
succession
subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of
Nov AD 1853
John Brown C.C.P. & C.

Received January 29th 1854 of Commodore P.
Williams a Administrator of the Estate of George
S. Merritt deceased one hundred and 29 dollars and
15 cts in part of my three hundred dollars
as owing of said deceased
Jincy & Hannas
march

N^o 4
Lewis & Hummel
\$ 2.00

2000

Nov 4 1872

Office of Publication of
Laws of the State

George A. Merrill
Editor

N^o 3
Widener receipt
\$ 129.15

\$ 17 40

Six Months

after date

for value received, I promise to pay W. E. Sargent or
 order the sum of Seventeen Dollars and 60 cents, with
 interest, and without any relief whatever from valuation or appraisement laws,
 County, Ind., this 6th day of February, 1849.

No. \$ 5.00 due with interest George S. Smith

November 10 day 1844 Received of Commodore
 W. P. Williams Admr of the Estate of George S.
 Merritt deceased seven dollars and 46 cts the
 balance of my Bonding as Widow
 Jincy ^{first} Harris
 &
 Clerk

Brownstown July 5th 1853

George Merritt Deceased

To Alexander Reeves Sen

Do, Coffin

\$ 75 00

Pay the above to N. Wood and this
 shall be Receipt in full.

A. Reeves

No 10

G. S. Adams

Sept 2nd
1854
Received
of L. P. Williams
the sum of
one thousand
dollars
for his note
of the 1st inst.

I agree to sell to
W. H. Hanes and his
heirs one acre of lot 19, 1838

Oblaten the
credit the with in
late five dollars and
NH Ct

December the 2^d 1851
Credit the with
to \$14.00
and 50 Cts

S. Hewitt
1740

N^o 3
Nicholas Powell

7.65

No 5
 M. Wood
 \$7.50

1854 January 29th
received the within of
C. J. Williams Order N. Wood

Received, Feb. 18 1856 Of Commodore P
Williams Admr George S Merritts Estate in full
Twenty three 98/100 in full of the fees on settlement of
said estate
John Ross Clerk

Received November 27th 1854 of C. P. Williams administrator
of the Estate of George S Merritt one dollar for my fee for
clerking at the Sale of the personal property of the Estate of
the said deceased.
Elisha Hornaday

Recd^d of C. P. Williams Administrator of the
Estate of George S. Merritt Dec^d one dollar
and 75 cts in full of all demands against
said Estate Nov^r 7th 1855
J. W. Smith

Received Nov 10 1855 of Commodore P. Williams
Administrator of the Estate of George S Merritt Dec^d.
Twenty Dollars and 97 Cents in full of his Account
as put into a note by Mrs Lucy Merritt & George Merritt
Feb 24th 1854

N. E. Green

N^o 14

John Brown
\$ 23.98

N^o 9

Elisha Hornaday
\$ 1.00

N^o 8

H. E. Green
\$ 20.97

N^o 11
J. M. Smith
\$ 1.75

Received of Comodore D Williams Administrator of the Estate of George Merritt ^{deceased} one dollar as salesman of said Estate April 24th 1854 William Warrall

October 26th 1854

Received of C. P. Williams Administrator of the Estate of George S. Merritt deceased one dollar and 57 cts in full of an book account I hold against said Estate James Campbell

Received February 18th 1856 of Comadore D Williams Adm^r of the Estate of George S. Merritt Five Dollars Atty fee in the settlement of said Estate
S. T. Hadley Atty

N^o 6

Wm Wrenell

\$1.00

N^o 7

James Campbell

\$1.57

N^o 15

S. T. Hadley

\$5.00

March the 31st 1854

this is to certify that I the undersigned
Jincy Merritt have Received of Commodore
J. D. Williams Administrator of the Estate of
George S. Merritt decreed the following
Items to wit 4 head of hog ~~1200~~
one Cow 1800
one calf 0400
~~three~~ sheep ~~200~~
one pot one kettle and 2 shilets 325
one Brake oven 0025
one Large Wheel and meal 0325
two Blankets 0250
Eight quilts 1600
four Chairs 0100
three Beds 2100
one chopping ax 0100
one block 0400
one lot of Bolls 0945
one fine shornel 0025
one Brake oven and 2 Buckets 0050
cellarres hand and Pecorene dish 0050
Four glass tumblers and 1 set plates 0055
one lot of Culivord Ware 0115
one set knives and forks 0100
one lot of potatoes 0050
one lot of corn 2000
one lot of Wheat 3750
one lot of oats 0225
one table 0150
the total amount 16340

Jincy ^{her} Merritt
mark

N^o 1
Widow's receipt
\$163.60

Jiney Bennett
Receipt

Account of the Sale of the personal property of
George S Merritt deceased sold by Commodore S^r Williams
at the late Residence of the decedent at public Auction
on the first day of October 1853

Articles

1	1 Rifle gun	2.00	B A Huron	Cash paid
2	1 iron wedg	25	Wm N Hufford	Cash paid
3	1 Hatchet	50	J. Merritt	Cash paid
4	Martingales	50	J Larsh	Cash paid
5	1 Mens Saddle	226	H Johnson	Settlement to make
6	5 head of sheep	735	J Weir	Note J Melton security
7	do. do. do.	550	J Weir	Note George S Merritt security Note Wm N Hardin security
8	1 Cow	24.00	Wm Johnson	Note George S Merritt security
9	1 Bay Station	96.00	C S Williams	
10	15 Bushels Corn	18.75	J Thompson	Note Wm N Hardin security
11	50 bushels Corn	12.50	G W Merritt	Note Elisha Hornaday security
12	8 Shaats	12.25	A Wiley	Note A Stetson security
13	2 Hogs	9.00	J. V. Mc Clain	Note R Johnson security
14	1 plaw	3.50	Nelson Johnson	Note J. C. Adams security
Total		\$ 1.9436		

State of Indiana
Hendricks County

I Elisha Hornaday Clerk of the sale of the personal property of
George S Merritt deceased swear that the foregoing bill is
a true account thereof

Elisha Hornaday
Clerk

Elisha Hornaday

Subscribed and sworn to before me Oct 29. 1853.
John Irons Clerk

Sale bill of the
personal property of
George S. Merritt deceased

Nov. 4, 1853

Filed in my office Oct
29. 1853.

John Irons
Clerk.

The State of Indiana

Hendricks County

To The Honorable the Clerk
of the Court of common pleas of said County
The undersigned Widow and relict of George S.
Merritt late of the County of Hendricks and State of
Indiana deceased would represent to your honor that
said deceased died leaving her his widow and that
she verily believes his personal Estate is not worth
over Three hundred Dollars and that he had no
Real Estate she therefore prays that said Estate may
be settled accordingly

August 12th 1853

Jenny ^{her} Merritt
_{mark}

subscribed and sworn to before me this
12th day of August A.D. 1853

John Irons.

C. C. C. P. H. C.

George S. Merriells
Estate

No 22.

Petition and affidavit
of Widow

Filed in my office Aug 13.
1853.

John Jones
Clerk.

1853

The State of Indiana }
Wendell County } In Court of Common Pleas of
said County January Term 1853
To the Honorable John Cowgill Judge of said Court

The undersigned Administrator of the Estate of
George S. Mantt deceased would report to said Court
by way of partial settlement as follows to wit

I am chargeable with amount of Inventory of
property as per Inventory on file \$343.65
Increase on sale of property over appraisement \$14.11
Collectors of Abner Wiley on account 2.00
" " John Fox " " 2.00
" " Nelson Johnson " 1.00
Total amt of Indebtedness \$362.76

I also claim the following Credits to wit
By Amount of property taken by the widow at its
appraisement as per receipt N^o 1 \$163.40
" " paid widow " " " 2 129.15
Total Amount of Credits \$292.55

which taken from the aboves Indebtedness leaves \$70.21
in my hands unaccounted for about forty Dollars
of which remains uncollected I therefore move the
Court to continue said Estate

Commodore P. Williams

I Commodore P. Williams do solemnly swear that
the above account or report is true to the best of my
knowledge

subscribed and sworn to before } Commodore P. Williams
me this 30th day of January 1853 }
John Evans Clerk

George D Merritt's
Estate

Report of
Administrator

Filed in open court
Jan. 31, 1885
John Irons clerk

The State of Indiana }
 Hendricks County } In Court of Common Pleas of
 said County February Term
 1856

The undersigned Comadore P. Williams
 Administrator of the Estate of George S. Merritt
 deceased would report to said Court by way
 of final settlement as follows to wit:
 The said Administrator charges himself
 with the full amount of said Estate unac-
 counted for in his report of January Term 1855 \$ 70.21

He also claims the following credits for amounts by him
 paid off on claims against said Estate

By amount paid the widow as per her receipt N ^o 3	7.65
" " " Lewis & Kennedy " " 4	2.00
" " " N. Wood " " 5	7.50
" " " William Worrell " " 6	1.00
" " " James Campbell " " 7	1.57
" " " H. E. Green " " 8	20.97
" " " Elisha Hornaday " " 9	1.00
" " " G. S. Merritt " " 10	5.00
" " " J. W. Smith " " 11	1.75
" " " J. Deane " " 12	9.00
" " " Saml Melgare " " 13	1.90
" " " John Duns Clest " " 14	23.98
" " " S. T. Hadley att " " 15	<u>5.00</u>
Total amount paid out	\$ <u>88.12</u>

which covers the whole amount with which said
 Administrator stands charged and shows a balance
 in his favor of \$ 17.91 He therefore prays to be
 discharged from this said Administration
 February 17th 1856

C. P. Williams

George H. McMill
Estate

Report of Final
Settlement

Filed in open court

Feb 22, 1856

John Gross Clerk

Enclosed J. Williams the Administrator who makes
the foregoing report upon his oath says the same is true
subscribed and sworn to before me
this 18th day of February A.D. 1856
John Gross Clerk } L. J. Williams

Court of Common Pleas
January 9, 1835

Citation
Commodore P. Williams
admiral of
George S. Merritt,

Ret. forthwith

Served as within I am commanded by
leaving a copy at his last usual place of
residence

Shops fees Village. 72
Fees 30
H. Lang 10
\$ 1.12

C. H. Allen Shp
By S. W. Hamill

THE STATE OF INDIANA,

To the Sheriff of *Hendricks* County--Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cite *Commodore P. Williams*
Administrator
 of the estate of *George S. Merritt* late of said
 county of *Hendricks*, deceased, if *he* may be found in your bailiwick
 to be and appear before the Court of Common Pleas of said county, on *fourth*
 the ~~day of the next term of said Court~~, to be begun and held at the
 Court House in *Danville*, on the ~~Monday in~~,
 then and there to render to said Court *his* account of *his* administration,
 under oath; Showing, First, clearly and succinctly, the entire aggregate amount of such
 estate, which came to *his* hands to be administered; Secondly, the amount paid out
 by *him* on account of such trust, to whom and for what paid, and the aggregate
 amount of such payments, and produce and file receipts for each of such payments;
 Thirdly, that *he* show clearly the aggregate amount of such estate still remaining
 unappropriated: and, Fourthly, that *he* make final settlement of said estate, or
 show the legal cause why such settlement cannot be made. And of this *he* may
 not fail at *his* peril: And have you then there this writ.

BY ORDER OF SAID COURT.

IN WITNESS OF WHICH, I, *John Evans* Clerk
 of said Court, hereunto affix the seal thereof, and subscribe
 my name, at *Danville*, this *24*,
 day of *January* A. D., 1855.

John Evans
 Clerk *Hendricks* C. C. Pleas.

One day after date I promise to
 pay To L. D. Dew ^{or order} seven dollars and 62 1/2
 cents for value Received April
 16th 1854
 George S. Dew

State of Indiana Hendricks County S.S.

I, Jeremiah Depew swear that the note, hereto attached,
 against the estate of George Merritt deceased, except the credit
 thereon endorsed, is just and true and remains wholly unpaid, as I
 verily believe, so help me God

J. Depew

Subscribed and Sworn to before me May 2nd. AD 1854.

John Irons Clerk.

7,62	
30	
2,28,60	
762	849
9,90	1,90
1,51	10,45
849	
23	
1,647	
1,698	
1,9627	

N^o 12

J. Depew

\$9.00

George Meritt's Estate
to 3 Note.
Jeremiah Depew

Sworn to

Amount Due on note	718
Interest	366
	<hr/> 11,84

Filed in my Office 2nd
May A.D. 1854
John Swan Clerk.

Store of Commodore J. Williams mine actions
as satisfaction in full of the within note
Dated 18th 1854
J. Depew

Geo. Meritt's
Note \$7.62

for by appletree 44 cents
Apr 1852

I promise to pay Samuel Melogue Ninety three cents
for value received witness my hand and seal this 14th day
of November 1834

George S. Merritt

State of Indiana Hendricks County S.S.

I, Samuel Melogue, Swear that the attached
note against the Estate of George S. Merritt deceased
is just and true and remains wholly unpaid so
help me God Samuel Melogue

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 20 March 1855,
John Irons Clerk.

736
558
4084
558
9544

Principal \$0.93
Interest 98
\$1.91

February 15th 1856 Received of Commodore
S. P. Williams administrator of the Estate of George
S. Merritt Deceased one Dollar and Ninety Cts in full
of the within Note and garter S. Melogue

No 13.
S. Melogue
George S. Merritt
Estate.

Saml. Melogue
Claim.

Book 1 Pa 30

Filed in my Office
20 March 1855.

John Innes Clerk

George S. Merritt
Estate

GEORGE S. MERRITT

ESTATE

1853

HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA