

**Dallas County, Texas
Probate Cases
1846 – Early 1900's**

Case Number 473

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473

Paid out for Ella Merrill
the amount of forty two dollars 44².00 for
merchandise in the year of 1870
S. S. S. A. Merrill
in the sum of \$42.44

Tax Receipt—Property in the County.
No. 144.66.

Received	6	dollars and	14	cents, from
C. Merrill & Son				State and County Taxes for 1870
on property in this County, as per Assessment Rolls of that year.				
Ad valorem, \$	3.07	Salary, \$		
Income, \$		Poll, \$		
County Tax, \$	3.07			

A. and C. Dallas Co.

J. H. Brown
A. and C. Dallas Co.

Tax Receipt—Property in the County.
No. 144.67.

Received	7	dollars and	70	cents, from
Miss. L. A. Merrill				State and County Taxes for 1870
on property in this County, as per Assessment Rolls of that year.				
Ad valorem, \$	1.35	Salary, \$		
Income, \$		Poll, \$		
County Tax, \$	1.35			

A. and C. Dallas Co.

J. H. Brown
A. and C. Dallas Co.

TAX RECEIPT—Property in the County. No. 144.67

DALLAS,	to	for	1870.	
Received	7	dollars and	70	cents, from
Lucy Merrill & Son				
State and County Taxes for 1869				
on property in this County, as per Assessment Rolls of that year.				
Ad valorem, \$	2.25	Salary, \$		
Income, \$		Poll, \$		
County Tax, \$	1.88			

J. H. Loyd
A. and C. Dallas County, Texas.

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County Tax, \$	1.88			

J. H. Loyd
A. and C. Dallas County, Texas.

Received of Mr. Sarah Merrill in
payment of Medical Bill for Daughter
Lucy. Twenty Two Dollars, No. 144-
1871—
Sam'l W. Gilbert

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff of Dallas County--Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Sarah A. Merrill, ~~Guardian~~

to be and appear before the County Court of Dallas County, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the Town of Dallas, on the ^{last} ~~first~~ Monday, the

38th day of September, 1868; then and there ~~to answer the Plaintiff,~~

~~who filed in a cause pending in said Court, in which~~ to show
~~Cause of any she has, which she should not be required~~
~~to file an Exhibit in writing of the conditions of her~~
~~Wife and Wards Estate. Having failed but~~
~~due return, make a record to have~~
~~Defendant, a certified copy of which petition accompanys this.~~

Witness, L. S. Jones, Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County, and the impress of the Seal thereof
hereon made, this 18th day of September, A. D. 1868.

L. S. Jones,
Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County.

Herald Book and Job Print, Dallas, Tex.

Bought of
Sarah A. Merrill two
cow marked crop and under
bit in left ear I paid twenty
seven dollars twenty four of which
was paid to S. P. Hargens for
Sla Merrill schooling three dollars
paid for merchandise
G A Lilly

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff of Dallas County---Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Sarah A. Merrill

to be and appear before the County Court of Dallas County, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the Town of Dallas, on the last Monday, the 28th day of September, 1868; then and there to answer the Plaintiff's
~~plaintiff in this cause of which she has a copy of which petition is annexed.~~
and she has why she should not be required to file
an exhibit in writing of the condition of her Ward
~~ward and~~ Estate... therein, fail not but due
return make according to law.

Witness, S. S. Jones, Clerk of the County
Court of Dallas County, and the impress of the Seal
thereof hereon made, this 18th day of September
A. D. 1868.

S. S. Jones
Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County.

Merrill Book and Job Print, Dallas, Tex.

Copy
County Court
of Dallas
Sarah A. Merrill
Sarah A. Merrill
Dallas, Sept 18, 1868

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff of Dallas County---Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon

Sarah A. Merrill Guard Heirs of Merrill

to be and appear before the County Court of Dallas County, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the town of Dallas, on the last Monday, the 30th day of November, 1868; then and there to answer the Plaintiff's petition,

now filed, in a cause pending in said Court, in which ~~show cause~~
~~why the Plaintiff~~ not be required
to file her Exhibit in writing of the Constitution of
Plaintiff, and your wards Estates.

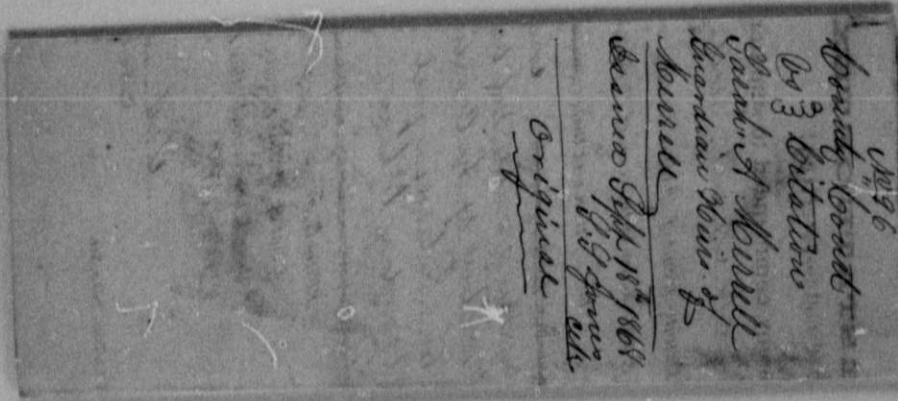
Defendant, a certified copy of which petition accompanies this writ.

Witness, P. P. Jones Clerk of the County
Court of Dallas County, and the impress of the Seal
thereof herein made, this 28th day of October
A. D. 1868.

P. P. Jones

Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County.

Herald Book and Job Print, Dallas, Tex.



THE STATE OF TEXAS.

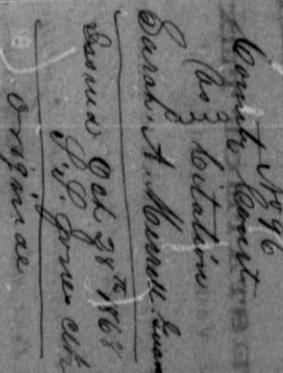
To all persons interested in the Estate of the Hays of Ben Merrill
Sarah A. Merrill, Guardian of the Heirs of Ben
Merrill, deceased has filed in the District Court of Dallas County
an application for her annual Exhibit in writing of the
Audit of said Estate which will be heard at the next Term of said Court,
commencing on the first Monday in June, A. D. 1872, at the Court House thereof,
in the Town of Dallas, at which time all persons interested in the Estate
of said Hays of Ben Merrill deceased
may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

WITNESS: JOHN M. LAWS, Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office
in Dallas, this 8th day of May

A. D. 1872.

John M. Laws
Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County, Texas.
By *J. E. Penruddick* Deputy.



The State of Texas.

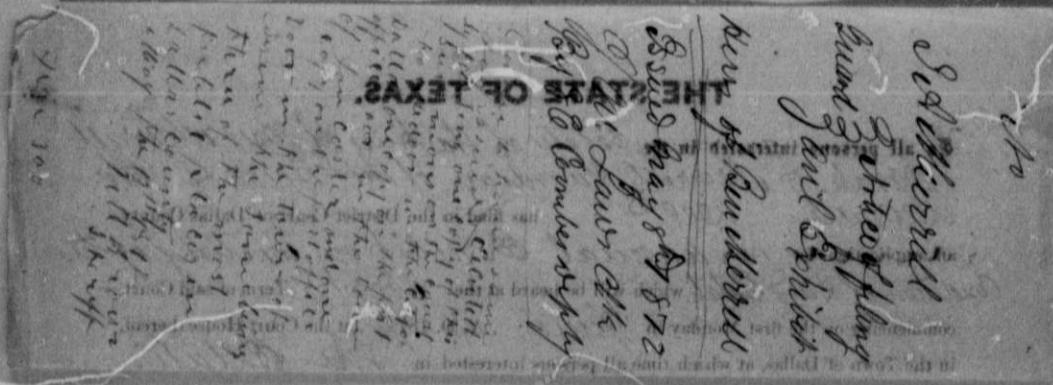
TO ALL PERSONS interested in the ~~Estate of the heirs of Ben Murrill~~^{see do}
~~Sarah Murrill~~ ~~Guardian of the Estates of the heirs of Ben Murrill~~
accused has filed in the District Court of Dallas County
~~an application for Annual account Current with her said Heirs~~
~~Estate~~ which will be heard at the ~~Next~~ Term of said Court,
commencing on the first Monday in ~~June~~ A.D. 187¹, at the Court-House thereof,
in the Town of Dallas, at which time all persons interested in ~~the Estate~~
of said ~~Minors heirs~~
may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

WITNESS: JOHN M. LAWS, Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT
at Office in Dallas, this 20 day of April
A.D. 187¹.

CLERK DISTRICT COURT D. C. T.

J. E. Combes, Deputy



Guardians Notice

Sarah A Merrill has filed in my office
her petition praying to be appointed
Guardian of the Persons and Estates of
Ella Merrill. Nancy E Merrill and Lucy L
Merrill minor heirs of Ben Merrill deceased.
This is therefore to notify all persons interested
to be and appear at the next term of the
County Court Dallas County to be held
at the Court House in the Town of Dallas
on the last Monday in June 1867. and
contend the same if they think proper
Jas. P. Thomas 666068

Dallas June 1st 1867.

No 96

Sarah A Merrill
Office of filing
Guardian Account

Heirs of Ben Merrill

Issued April 5th 1867

John H Law Det
By J C Combes Atty

Name to hand same day
Issued By Posting one copy on the court house
executed By Posting one copy on the court house
door in the town of Dallas one copy at the Post Office
in the town of Lancaster one copy at the
Post Office in the town of Seagoville the same
being Third of the most Public Places in the
County and by Publishing one copy for four
successive weeks in the Dallas Herald a
Newspaper Published in the town of Dallas
Dallas County Texas April 20th 1867

Jeff Boc

J H Brown
Sheriff

The State of Texas.

TO ALL PERSONS interested in the Estate of Ella Mennell a minor
Sarah A. Mennell, Guardian of the Estate of Ella Mennell
a minor has filed in the District Court of Dallas County
an application for the sale of eighty acres of Land belonging to
said minor which will be heard at the Next Term of said Court,
commencing on the first Monday in February A.D. 1871, at the Court-House thereof,
in the Town of Dallas, at which time all persons interested in the Estate
of said minor Ella Mennell
may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

WITNESS: JOHN M. LAWS, Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT
at Office in Dallas, this 12th day of December,
A.D. 1871.

J M Laws
CLERK DISTRICT COURT D. C. T.

Published 4 weeks successively-

Dallas Dec 30th 1871
Received of Mr. Clark
Mennell, guardian of Ella
Mennell, one acre and cult,
the property of the said Ella
Mennell, valued at fifty
Dollars, in full payment
of her rent and account
of Ella Mennell from the
1st of Oct 1868 to the
1st of March 1869
W. Smith

The State of Texas, 3rd Dist^r Court
Dallas County, February 1st 1870

To the Honorable Judge of the 1st Federal District
of Texas -

Now comes Sarah Merrill, Guardian of
the person and Estate of Ella Merrill a minor and repre-
sentant to the Court, that the income of said minor's
estate is insufficient for her education and maintenance.
Wherefore the Guardian asks an order to sell 80
acres off of the 80th and of the J. J. Moneyham
survey in Dallas County, belonging to said minor
in order to raise means for the education and
maintenance of said Ella Merrill.

Sarah Merrill, Guard.

Ella Merrill, minor

By Combs & Brown,
Atlys

Sarah A. Merrill
Guardian of the Estate of
Ella Merrill.

Original Notice

Came to hand same
day demand & execute
by posting one copy
on the Court house
Door one copy on the
post office door
in the town of
Simpson & one copy
on the Post office
Door in the town
of San Saba on the
same being three
of the most public
places in Dallas
County & by publicly
The same in the
Dallas Herald a news
paper published
in Dallas County
for four weeks
in Weeks before
the first Day of Court
1870. J. H. Brown
Sheriff Dally
Co. TX
Fee 6.10

Let & I the Kale D motion to be remanded
to custody of Sarah A Merrill
Sarah A Merrill
Guardian &c &c

Now comes the defendant and
says, she knows of no reason why her
parties should not be in all things
expended on her services - But she says
that I should do the best I can, & leave her
services - She will not give any further
but - she therefore appeals to the court
to appoint, as her successor an honest
man, who will faithfully execute the
trust whereof. She is ^{an ignorant woman} now to be
deprived - She ^{is} ~~an ignorant woman~~ now not
knowing the intricacies of the
law, would most humbly ~~recommend~~
recommend as her successor in the guardianship
of her infant children, Mr Cornelius Merrill
unall of his words

Mary A Morgan
for Sarah Merrill

AN96
Sarah Merrill
Ella Merrill minor
No 3 Peckham to sell
Land
Dist Court -
Filed Dec 16th 1870
J M, Law

The State of Texas & On the District Court
County of Dallas) February Term A.D. 1871

To the Honorable District Judge of the 14th Judicial
District of Texas holding Sessions in and
for the County of Dallas

And Comes Sarah Merrill Guardian of Ella
Merrill and represents to the Court that in
the past year she sold at private sale
the following property belonging to her said
Wards Estate to wit

2 Cows and Calves to G.A. Lally	\$27.00
2 Yearlings to Cornelius Green	11 00
Total	38.00

All of which is respectfully submitted

under oath

Sarah A. Merrill

Swear to & subscribed before me this <sup>14th day of
January A.D. 1871</sup>

J. M. Laws Clerk

By J.C. Combs Deputy

* 88.
John H. & J. M. Cole
vs
Sarah A. Merrill

Application of
Sarah A. Merrill to
have Cornelius
Merrill appointed
as her successor

Filed Oct 19th 1871
J. M. Laws Clerk
By J.C. Combs Deputy

The State of Texas
County of Dallas

In the Probate Court
December 2nd 1868

To the Hon. & Precious County Judge of Dallas County

Your petitioner Sarah A. Merrill, Guardian of the
persons and estates of Ella, Nancy E. & Lucy L.
Merrill, minor heirs of Ann Merrill deceased,
respectfully represents to your honor that in order to
raise funds for the support and maintenance of
her said wards she sold at private sale the
following property belonging to her said wards to wit
Property of Ella Merrill

One Iron Gray Mare 4 years old to Thos. Hamer for \$45.00
One Two year old Star. to Crockett Buchanan .. 6.00
Total \$51.00

Property of Nancy Merrill
One Six Year old Mare Sold. Wm Garrett for \$50.00
One Three Year old Cud .. G. Buchanan .. 7.00
\$57.00

Property of Lucy Merrill.
One Two year old Heifer sold to G. Buchanan for \$6.00
said Guardian further represents that she believes
that said property brought as much at said private as
could have been obtained for the same.

Wherefore petitioner prays that her action had
as aforesaid in the sale of said property may

No 96
Sarah A. Merrill
Guard of said Bill
Eliza Merril
Filed Jan 5th 1871
I M Saw Clerk
By J. C. Cornish
Deputy

Recorded Book B page 301.

be approved and in all things confirmed
And I do will ever pray &c.

Sarah A Merrill
Guardian Heir of
Ben Merrill deceased

Sworn to and Subscribed before me
This 24th day of December A.D. 1869

J. J. Jones Ck

W. H. Jones
Sarah A. Merrill

Guardian
Hans Borchmire

Dec 24th 1869
J. J. Jones Ck

Approved
A. Blodget
County Judge
D. Co.

Revised

Her due of 2nd in the County Court
County of Dallas July 2nd 1867

To the Hon^rble Judge of the County
Court in Dallas County Texas

The undersigned Sarah A. Merrill widow and
heiress of Ben Merrill deceased, respectfully represents
that she is the mother of Ella Merrill, Nancy E.
Merrill, and Lucy L. Merrill, minors under the
age of 14 years - & children of said Ben Merrill deceased.
That there is property belonging to said minors, of
considerable amount, consisting of Lands, Stock
horses, Stock Cattle, & other personal property - that
is liable to go to waste, without the care
and attention of some one legally authorized to
take charge of & manage the same - That the
said property is of the probable value of Four
Thousand Dollars. And that said minors
have no guardian at law.

The premises considered petitions prays for letters
of guardianship of the person & estate of the
said Ella, Nancy E., & Lucy L. Merrill - to be
granted to her. And as in duty bound to
Sarah A. Merrill

W 1096
Sarah A. Merrill
Petition for
Letters of Guardianship
of Minors of Rev. Merrill & Sons

Filed June 17, 1867
Sas. P. Shumard, Clerk

Approved June
9, 1867
J. Ellis Crombes
County Judge
D. C. S.

Notice given June 17
M. S.

The State of Texas
To all persons interested in the Estates
of the Manor heirs of Ben Merrill.
Declarandum.

Sarah H. Merrill Guardian
of the Estate of Ella, Stacey E.,
and Lucy Merrill Minns has
filed in the District Court of Dallas
County an application for the sale of
Seven Hundred and Seventy Acres
of Land belonging to Said Minns
which will be heard at the next
term of the Honorable District Court of Dallas
County Texas to be held at the Court house in
the City of Dallas County of Dallas and State
of Texas, ^{on the 25th day of April year 1872} at which time all persons
interested in the Estate of Said
Minns may appear and contest the
same if they see proper.

Witness John M. Laws, Clerk of the District
of Dallas County. Given under my hand and
the seal of said Court at office in the City of
Dallas, this 25th day of April A.D. 1872.

John M. Laws.
Clerk of Dallas Co. Texas
Pay & C. Womble deeply

Sarah McMorrell
Grand³ Notice of sale

Ella McMorrell
Annie E McMorrell
Lucy McMorrell

Issued April 24 1872
J M Law clk
By J E Coombes Deputy

To give to trust meeting
I do hereby declare by
giving this notice of sale
published in the Dallas
Herald and newspaper published
in the city of Dallas Texas
County of Dallas for the
Inhabitants of County
of Dallas the 27th 1872
D. H. Brown
Deputy Sheriff
Price 15⁰⁰ Dollars

No. 6

TAX RECEIPT.

No. 374

Received of R. B. Merrill the sum of \$ 1749 in payment of Taxes for the year 1871, upon
the following described property, owned by Miss Lucy Merrill

To-wit:

Tax Number	Original Grantee	No. of Acres Paid on	Land.	State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total
			LAND.	State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total
573	Mongham M 9	175		\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
577	Merrill B	81 5	4010	81	574		
<i>21 100</i>							
<i>Due 20</i>							
<i>Balance</i>							
<i>Dollars</i>							
<i>paid to the Board</i>							
<i>balance with Public</i>							
<i>ats, first</i>							
<i>ctor,</i>							
<i>COUNTY.</i>							
<i>Total Amount Paid, 1749</i>							
<i>Jno Brown</i>							
<i>Dallas County.</i>							
<i>S-10</i>							

Total.

Jan 28 1872

Sheriff

DALLAS HERALD PRINT.

No. 6

TAX RECEIPT.\$ 17⁴⁵

No. 2374

Received of M. B. Merrill the sum of \$ 17⁴⁵ in payment of Taxes for the year 1871, upon
the following described property, owned by Miss Lucy Merrill

To-wit:

Abstract Booklet	LAND.	
	ORIGIN & WANTED.	
573	Worthington M 2	
577	Merrill 3	

No.

52⁴⁵Received of Miss L. Merrill the sum of Dollars 25

No. 68 SCHOOL TAX RECEIPT. \$ 1³⁵
FIRST QUARTER, ENDING AUGUST 31, 1872

Dallas, Texas, Jun 3 1872

Received of Miss L. Merrill
dollars and 35 cents,
being amount of his additional School Tax for the first
quarter.

Donald Print, Dallas, Texas

J. W. Brown Sheriff D. C.

Total

_____Amount Paid, 17⁴⁵

W. P. Jones 25
Jun 3 1872

Sheriff

Jno. Brown
Merrill County.

5-10

DALLAS HERALD PRINT.

No. 6

TAX RECEIPT.

\$ 17.80

No. 2592

Received of R. B. Merrill the sum of \$ 17.80 in payment of Taxes for the year 1871, upon
 the following described property, owned by Mrs Nancy Merrill

To-wit:

Abstract Number	LAND.	State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total.	TOWN LOTS.		State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total	Grand Total.
						No. of Lot	No. of Block					
576	Merrill 13.	190			54							
577	+	82 5	40 10	80	54							

\$ 17.80
70
Dollars
by the Board
ordance with
stem of Public
1871.
and Collector,
all 1871 COUNTY.
7.50
Merrill County.
7.50

81 1871.
3 1872
76
cents.
tax for the first

Sheriff D. C.

DALLAS HERALD PRINT.

No. 6

TAX RECEIPT.

No. 2572

Received of *R. B. Merrill* the sum of \$ 17.30 in payment of Taxes for the year 1871, upon
the following described property owned by *Mr. Nancy Merrill*

To-wit:

Abstract Number	Land
\$76 Merrill	ORIGINAL GRAY
577	*

SCHOOL TAX RECEIPT.
No. 6
FIRST QUARTER, ENDING AUGUST 31, 1871.
Dallas, Texas.
1872.

Received of *Mr. R. B. Merrill* dollars and cents,
being amount of his additional School Tax for the first
quarter.

John B. Brown Sheriff D. C.

Dallas County

17.30

TOWN LOTS.

Lot	Total.	State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total	Grand Total.
54	52 70	0 0	0 0	0 0	52 70	52 70

Mr. R. B. Merrill the sum of *52 70* Dollars; being the 2nd instalment
per cent. school tax on *100* value of real and personal property, as levied by the Board
Directors of *Dallas* county, in accordance with the Board
of "An Act to organize and maintain schools in the State of Texas," approved April 24, 1871.

John B. Brown Sheriff and Collector,
Dallas COUNTY.

17.30

Dallas County

17.30

DALLAS HERALD PRINT.

No. 6

TAX RECEIPT.

MS

No. 237
 Received of A. B. Merrill the sum of \$ 12³⁸ in payment of Taxes for the year 1877, upon
 the following described property, owned by Mrs. Ella Merrill
 To-wit:

Abstract Number	LAND.				Total.	TOWN LOTS.				State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total	Grand Total.
	ORIGINAL GRANTEE	No. of Acres	State Tax	County Tax		No. of Lot	No. of Block	City or Town						
1-73	Maryham M. J. 170				35									
577	Merrill A. B.	80	3.80	7.60										
Total.														
Amount Paid, 12 ³⁸														
J. S. Brown Sheriff, Dallas County.														
T.Y.														

DALLAS HERALD PRINT.

No. 6

TAX RECEIPT.

No. 238
 Received of R. B. Merrill the sum of \$ 12³⁸ in payment of Taxes for the year 1871, upon
 the following described property, owned by Mr. Ella Merrill

To-wit:

Abstract Number	LAND.					TOWN LOTS.									
	ORIGINAL GRANTEE	No. of Acres Paid on	State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total	No. of Lot	No. of Block	City or Town	State Tax	County Tax	Frontier Bond Tax	Total	Grand Total	
173	Murphyham M.J. 170														
577	Merrill B.														
<i>S 1 78</i>															
<i>Amount Paid, 12³⁸</i>															
<i>RECEIVED OF MR. ELLA MERRILL</i>															
<i>RECEIVED OF MR. ELLA MERRILL</i>															
<i>DALLAS, TEXAS, 1871.</i>															
<i>FIRST QUARTER, ENDING AUGUST 31, 1871.</i>															
<i>No. 68 SCHOOL TAX RECEIPT. \$ 55</i>															
<i>TO: J. M. Brown, Sheriff, Dallas County.</i>															
<i>AMOUNT PAID, 12³⁸</i>															
<i>IN 03/1872</i>															
<i>J. M. Brown, Sheriff, Dallas County.</i>															
<i>TAX</i>															

DALLAS HERALD PRINT.

The State of Texas In County Court
County of Dallas Dallas County
Dec 1st 1888

To the Honorable County Judge

Yours, Johnnie Sarah McConnell guardian
of the Person and estates of Nancy
A. Ella and Lucy A. McConnell minors
would respectfully represent that
during the past year she has sold of
the property belonging to her said
wards at private sale as follows
to wit

Cella McConnell's Property

One wagon sold Joseph Underdown	95.00
One Horse sold Tom Warner	<u>75.00</u>
	<u>110.00</u>

Lucy McConnell, Property

One Horse pony sold to Amos Foster for \$60.00	
------------------------------------------------	--

Nancy A. McConnell Property

One Colt "High Col" sold Joseph Underdown	30.00
One Cutting Stone "E. L. Bailey"	<u>7.00</u>
	<u>37.00</u>

Said Guardian represents that said property
was sold to raise means to support said
minors and brought more at said
sales than they were appraised at and
that this Guardian believes that she
has promoted the interest of her said

wards by breaking said falls
Therefore premises
considered neither prays that her
action in selling said property
may be approved by the Court
and as in duty bound she will
ever pray the Sarah A. Merrill
Guard

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 28th Decr. A.D. 1868

J. J. Jones clk

1196
Sarah Sillmell
Granddaughter Sale Bill
Nancy C Murrell
Lucy L Murrell
Ella Murrell

Filed at Clark 28th 1868
P. J. Jones clk

Approved Dec
the 28th 1868
John W Randis
S. Phelps

Sarah S. Merrill Guardian of the Persons and Estates of Nancy E., Ella & Lucy L. Merrill

In account current with said Estates

Nancy S. Merrill

To Real Estate as per Inventory	1264.00	By Real Estate on hand as per Inventory	\$1264.00
To Personality not sold "	353.00	By Personality " " " "	353.00
To amount of Sale Bill of Dec 38 th '08	37.00	By amount paid for Gilbert	10.00
To amount diff in app & Sale	<u>5.00</u>	By Merchandise furnished ward	20.00
	<u>81495.00</u>	By amount paid for Board	12.20
			<u>1495.00</u>

Ella Merrill

To Real Estate as per Inventory	\$1200.00	By Real Estate as per Inventory	\$1200.00
To Personality not sold "	194.50	By Personality not sold .. " on hand	119.50
To amount of Sale Bill of Dec 38 th '08	<u>110.00</u>	By amount Board & Tuition paid Wm Smith	44.00
	<u>1504.50</u>	By amount paid for Clothing	48.00
		By one Glass Roll seed	75.00
		By amount Board 12 mos	18.00
			<u>1504.50</u>

Lucy L. Merrill

To Real Estate as per Inventory	\$1200.00	By Real Estate as per Inventory	\$1200.00
To Personality as per Inventory not sold	555.00	By Personality not sold " "	335.00
To amount Sale bill of Dec 38 th '08	<u>-6.00</u>	By amount paid for S & G Gilbert and Bill	12.50
	<u>\$1495.00</u>	By amount paid for clothing	15.00
		By amount paid for Board	32.50
			<u>\$1495.00</u>

In the state of Texas I, Sarah S. Merrill, Guardian of the Persons & Estates of Nancy E., Ella and Lucy L. Merrill, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a true and correct exhibit of the estate of said minors so far as the same has come to my hands or knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 28th day of December A.D. 1888. I.C. J. J. Jones. clk

Sarah S. Merrill
Guardian

No 96
Sarah A Merrill
Grand's Annual Exhibit

Anney A Merrill
Celia Merrill
Lucy L Merrill

Folio 2000 Dec 28th 1868
P. S. Jones cek

Approved Dec
the 28th 1868

John C. H. Martin
S. B. Phelps

Sarah A Merrill Guardian of the Person and Estate of Ella, Nancy & Lucy Merrill
 Members of Ben Merrill deceased
 In annual Account current with her said wards estate

	Nancy C Merrill
To Real Estate as per Inventory.	1300.00
To Personality not sold	196.00
To amount of Sale Bill Decr 28 th 1868.	57.00
To amount diff of Appraiser & Sale Recd	5.00
To amount of Sale Bill Decr 24 th 1869	<u>57.00</u>
	<u>\$1495.00</u>

	Ella Merrill
To Real Estate as per Inventory.	\$1300.00
To Personality not sold	158.50
To amount of Sale Bill of Decr 28 th 1868	110.00
To amount of sale " " 24 th 1869	<u>57.00</u>
	<u>\$1519.50</u>

Bal due Guard^{rs} \$9.50

	Lucy L Merrill
To Real Estate as per Inventory.	1300.00
To Personality not sold	229.00
To Sale Bill of Decr 28 th 1868	60.00
To Sale Bill " " 24 th 1869	<u>6.00</u>
	<u>\$1495.00</u>

Bal due Guard^{rs} \$44.50

State of Texas } I, Sarah A Merrill Guardian of the Person and Estate of the Hrs. of Ben Merrill
 County of Dallas } do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a true and correct Exhibit of the
 condition of said Estate

Sworn to & Subscribed before me
 This 25th day of April 1869

S. S. Jones Clerk

By Real Estate on hand or per Inventory.	1200.00
By Personality " " " "	196.00
By amount paid Dr Gilbert.	10.00
By amount paid Dodge forward 1868	20.00
By amount paid for Board	1.00
By difference in Appraised Value Bill	5.00
By amount paid for Merchandise forward 1868	13.96
By Board 12 mos 1869	<u>43.04</u>
	<u>\$1495.00</u>

By Real Estate as per Inventory	1200.00
By Personality not sold	83.50
By One Mare Post dead	75.00
By Board & Pictures paid Mr Smith	44.00
By amount paid for Clothing 1868	48.00
By amount " Board 1868	19.00
By Merchandise furnished 1868	52.36
And one more	<u>5.00</u>
	<u>\$1528.86</u>

By Real Estate on hand	1200.00
By Personality on hand	229.00
By amt paid Dr S. G. Gilbert	12.50
By amount paid for Clothing 1868	15.00
By amount paid for Board 1868	32.50
By Clothing furnished 1868	8.48
	<u>\$1497.48</u>

Sarah A. Merrill
 Guardian

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Sarah A. Meennell
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Ella Meennell
Falledoor 27th 1869
S. S. Jones
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Approved Dec 27th
1869
A. Pleasance
County Judge

Sarah E. Merrill - 3 in District Court - Dallas County
Guardian - Texas - Oct: Term 1872

To the Hon Hardin Hart -
judge of the 14th judicial district -
presiding at Dallas -

The undersigned - guardian
of Nancy E. Merrill - Ella Merrill
and Lucy Lee Merrill - minor children
of Ben Merrill deceased - respectfully
shows unto your Honor that in
compliance with an order of the
Hon District Court of Dallas County
Texas - made at the ~~June~~ term thereof
A.D. 1872 - And after due adver-
tisement according to law - she
sold to the highest bidder - at the
Court House door in the city of
Dallas on Tuesday August 6th 1872
the following described land - & in
Dallas County - to the following
named persons - at the following
specified prices - to wit -

Three (3) tracts of 40 acres each -
to W A Robbison - the price of
the first tract being \$ 8.25 per acre
of the second - \$ 8.10 per acre - of
the third \$ 8.05 per acre - These

Three (3) tracts being a part of a tract
of 192 acres belonging to Nancy E.
Merrill - which was set apart to
her in the partition of her father's
estate & designated in the map or
plot made by the commissioners of
partition - as lot No: 1 -

said three tracts being meted and
bounded as follows - to wit -

Beginning at a rock the S.E. corner
of a 320 acre tract patented to Ben
Merrill April 17th 1855 - the patent being
on record in Book F page 83. Dallas
County Records -

Thence N. 950.4 varas to a stake in
N.E. corner of said original survey -

Thence W. 950.4 varas to a stake in
N. line of said original survey -

Thence S. 475.2 varas to a stake -

Thence E. 475.2 varas to a stake -

Thence S. 475.2 varas to a stake in
S. line of said original survey

Thence E 475.2 varas to the beginning -
containing 120 acres of land -

Also two (2) tracts - one
of 40 acres & the other of 32 acres
to E.W. Hunt - the price of the
first tract being \$10.00 per acre -

and of the second - \$7.70 per acre
said two tracts being the remainder
of the 192 acres aforesaid belonging
to Nancy E. Merrell - the same
being meted and bounded as follows

First - Beginning at a stake in S. line
of original 320 acre survey mentioned
above - and 475.2 varas west from

its S.E. corner -

Hence W. with said S. line 665.28
varas to a rock - the same being Mr
Bunnell's S.E. corner

Hence N. with said Bunnell's E. line
950.4 varas to a stake in N. line of
said original 320 acre survey -

Hence E. 190.08 varas to a stake in
said N. line and at W^E. Robt. C. Brown's
N.W. corner

Hence S. 475.2 varas with said Robt.
~~brown's~~ W. line to a stake in prairie
Hence E. 475.2 varas to a stake in
prairie the same being one of Robt.
Brown's corners of 120 acres

Hence S. 475.2 varas with Robt. C. Brown's
W. line to the beginning -

Containing 72 acres of land -

Also two (2) tracts of 20 acres
each to J. G. T. Kendall - the prior

of the first tract being \$5.50 per acre -
and of the second - \$7.60 per acre -
said two tracts being a part of a tract
of 80 acres belonging to Ella Murrell -
set apart to her in the partition of her
father's estate and designated on the
map or plot made by Commissioners of
partition as Lot No. 16 - said two tracts
being meted and bounded as follows -
First - Beginning at a stake in prairie -
the N.E. corner of a tract of land known
as lot No. 16 in map or plot of the
partition of the Estate of Jim Murrell
deceased - & now on record in Book
T page 589 Dallas County Records -
from which a mesquit 5 in. diam.
bears N 6° W 36 links and a Post Oak 9 in.
diam. bears S. 63 1/2 ° W. 29.22 varas -

Thence S. 950.4 varas to a stake from
which a Post Oak 4 in. diam. bears
S. 71° E 20 links and a Post Oak 6 in.
diam. bears N. 39 1/2 ° E 39 links and a
Red Bud 2 in. diam. bears S. 62° W 7 links

Thence W. 237 varas to a Post Oak 20 in.
diam. marked as a corner

Thence N. 950.4 varas to the N.W. corner
of said lot No. 16

Thence E. to the beginning 237 varas -

and containing 40 acres of land -

Also one (1) tract of 20 acres
to W.R. Robbison at \$ 8.80 per acre.
said tract being a portion of the
aforesaid 80 acre tract belonging to
Ella Merrill - and meted and
bounded as follows - town -

Beginning at the S.E. corner
of the 40 acre tract described above
at a stake from which a Post Oak
4 in. diam.: bears S. 71° E 20 links - a
Post Oak 5 in. diam.: bears N. $39\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E 39
links and a Red Bud 2 in. diam.:
bears N. 62° W 7 links

Thence W. with S. line of said 40 acre
tract 237 varas to a Post Oak 20 in. diam.
marked as a corner - being the N.W.
corner of this 20 acre tract and the S.
W. corner of said 40 acre tract -

Thence S. 475.2 varas to a stake from
which an Ash 24 in. diam.: bears N.
 40° W 10 links - a Hackberry, 5 in. diam.
bears S. $86\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ E 19 links and a forked
Ash 22 in. diam.: bears S. 83° E 22 links

Thence E 237 varas to a stake in a
thicket from which a Red Bud 2 in.
diam.: bears N 80° W 11 links and a Pecan
12 in. diam.: bears S. 8° W 45 links

Thence N. 475.2 varas to the beginning -
and containing 20 acres of land -

Also one (1) tract of 20 acres
to J. H. ~~Mathis~~^{marks}, at \$6.25 per acre -
said tract being a portion of the
aforesaid tract of 80 acres belonging
to Ella Merrill - the same being
meted and bounded as follows - to wit

Beginning at a stake - the S.E.
corner of the 20 acre tract above
described - from which a Red Ash
2 in. diam.: bears N 80°W 11 links and a
Pecan 12 in. diam.: bears S. 8°W 45 links
Thence S. with E. line of lot No. 16 -
aforesaid 475.2 varas to its S.E. corner
Thence W. 237 varas with S. line of
said lot No. 16 Thence N. 475.2 varas
to a stake from which an Ash 2 4 in.
diam.: bears N 40°W 10 links - A Hackberry
5 in. diam.: bears S. 86½° E. 19 links and
a forked Ash 2 2 in. diam.: bears S.
8½° E 22 links

Thence E 237 varas to the beginning
and containing 20 acres of land -

All of which lands the
undersigned would respectfully
represent to your Honor brought a
fair price - and the therefor

asks that the sales be confirmed
and that she be allowed to make
conveyances to the purchasers -

The undersigned would
also respectfully represent unto your
Honor that the reason why the re-
mainder of land whose sale was
contemplated in the order of sale
under which these ^{sales} were made was
not sold was that there was at the
day of sale & is now pending a
suit in this Court to try the title
to said land - All of which is re-
spectfully submitted - Sarah A. Moreell
Guardian

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
the 27th day of August 1872

JM Laws Clerk
By G E Coombes Deputy

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Sarah E Merrill
Guardian of
Nancy E. Ella &
Lucy L Merrill

Account of Sale
of land belonging
to Nancy E &
Ella Merrill

Filed Aug 27th 1882
J M Laws clk
By G E Combes Deputy

553. 98 rods

Recorded

Inventory of the property, both real and personal
belonging to the Estates of Nancy E. Merrill, Ella Mer-
rill Lucy E. Merrill, minor heirs of Ben Merrill heirs
Estate of Nancy E. Merrill - Total

101/2 acres of land - Headright of Ben Merrill, Prairie	\$1200.00
1/2 acre 80 " Timbland " 1	
One Man Glora	50.00
One " Kate	100.00
One " Doll	50.00
One Colt Hagen stud colt	35.00
Lilly Cow & Calf	12.00
Bucks & 2 yr old hing	5.00
1/2 of feather bed	7.00
Cork Stone	7.00
Barn & Tray 50 "	1.00
Churn & Coffy mill 50 "	2.00
Sausage Mill 100 - White Cornopperin 8.00	9.00
2 Quilts 4.00 - 2 Blankets 3.00	7.00
2 Shirts 1.50 - 1 trunk 50 "	2.00
1 Clock 2.00 - 4 Chairs 2.50	5.00
1 Spinning wheel	2.50
Total	<u>\$1495.00</u>

Property of Ella Merrill - Total

Lot No 7 - of 170 acres, prairie land - off Morryham headright	1
1/2 acre 80 " Timbland " , Ben Merrill "	
One Man Poll @ 70.00 - Spanish bay man. 65 "	135.00
Salem Horse 70.00 - Gray stud colt 30 "	100.00
Lilly Cow & Calf 12.00 - Strawberry Cow & calf 10 "	22.00
1/2 of feather bed 7.00 - Wagon \$30.00	38.00
Total	<u>\$1495.00</u>

Estate of Lucy E. Merrill

Lot No 8 - 170 acres, prairie land, off of Morryham headright	\$1200.00
Lot No 17 80 " Timbland " of Benj Merril "	

Inventory Continues

Lucy's Ant. & furniture	\$1200.00
Woolly Mare, 85 ft. tail man 10 ft.	155.00
Pompy Horse 50 ft. - Saddle, Bridle, colt 50 ft.	85.00
Pet. Cow & Calf 12 ft. - White face & Calf 10 ft.	22.00
1/2 of feather bed 72 ft. - Mattress 15 ft. - Plain Bedstead 24.50	
Horse Rail 1 ft. 2 lengths & Clavis 3.50	4.50
Bees wax 2 ft. 2 ft. + 100. Table 2.00	5.50
2 plain Counter tops 1 ft. each 1 ft. - Stone floor 100	3.50
Total - \$1,495.00	

Recapitulation

Nancy's estate	\$1495.00
Ella's	1495.00
Lucy's	1495.00
Total Am't	\$4,485.00

The State of Texas
County of Dallas

Personally appears in open Court, Sarah A. Merrill
guardian of the person and estate of Nancy E. Merrill, Ella
Merrill, and Lucy L. Merrill, minor heirs of Benj' Merrill and
and make each that the above and foregoing is a true
and correct Inventory of the property, both real & personal
belonging to her said wards respectively, And that
items of property are correctly set out to each, as
divided by the Commissioners of partition, and turned
over to this affiant by the Exec't of the last will of
said Ben Merrill deceased. Sarah A. Merrill, guardian
forworn to & subscribed in open
Court this 29th day of August 1867

Sas. O. Thomas Clerk of Court

AT 96
Mrs Sarah A Merrill
Guardian of
Nancy E Merrill
Ella Merrill &
Lucy L Merrill
For Inventory

Dallas Aug 29th 1867
Jas. O. Thomas CLB

Approved Aug 36th
A.D. 1867
J. Ellis Comeris
County Judge
Dallas County
Texas

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McCoy

The State of Texas know all men by these presents
County of Dallas that we Sarah A Merrill as
principal and John H Cole and James M Cole
as sureties, are held and firmly bound, unto the
County Judge of said County of Dallas in the
sum of Eight Thousand Dollars, for the payment
of which will and truly to be made, we bind
ourselves, our heirs, executors, and administra-
tors, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents
signed and dated the 29th day of July 1867.
The condition of the above obligation is such
that whereas the above bound Sarah A Merrill
has been appointed by the County Judge of
Dallas County Guardian of the Persons and
estates of Ella Merrill, Nancy E Merrill and
Lucy L Merrill minor heirs of Ben Merrill
deceased, now if the said Sarah A Merrill
shall well and truly perform all the
duties required of her by law under said
appointment, then this obligation shall be
null and void, otherwise to remain in
full force and effect

Sarah A Merrill *Seal*
John H Cole *Seal*
James M Cole *Seal*

I Sarah A Merrill do solemnly swear that
I will well and truly perform ~~the~~ the duties
of Guardian of the Persons and Estates of
Ella, Nancy E. and Lucy L Merrill minor
heirs of Ben Merrill said "so help me God"
Sarah A Merrill

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this the 29th day of July 1867 J. Ellis Comeris County Judge

The date of filing in the reeves District Court
County of Reeves June Term A.D 1892

No 96.
Sarah A Merrill
Guardian herein
Ben Merrill decd.
Bond of Guardian
Filed July 30th 1867
See P. Shumway etc
Approved July
31 1867.

J. Ellis Comerby
County Judge
Dallas T.

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To the Hon Andrew Hart, District judge
residing in and for the County of
Dallas

Sarah A Merrill, who resides
in the County of Dallas, comes this
unto the Hon Court that she is the
lawful guardian of Ella, Nancy
E and Lucy Merrill minors, and
the children of herself and her
late husband Ben Merrill deceased,
that said minors own no personal
property nor have they any income
of any kind from which they can
be maintained and educated;
that the only kind of property they
own is unimproved land situated
in Reeves County on the waters of
the Elm Fork of Trinity river, the
respective shores of the said lands
are as follows: Ella owns 170 acres
of Prairie and 80 acres timber, Lucy the
same amount of Prairie and timber

and Nancy owns 190 acres of Prairie
and 80 acres of timber.

Pitman further states to the Court
that she is quite poor, and for years,
has of her own means, maintained
and supported the above minors,
and paid for them all the taxes
assessed on their real estate, that
it was to pay these taxes she
has been compelled to borrow money,
for the repayment of which she
is now sorely pressed, the factor
represents that said lands if
sold now would bring a good
price, and furnish ample means
with which to maintain and
educate her said wards; She
therefore prays the Honorable Court
for an order authorizing her sale
of said lands on such
terms as to the Honorable Court may
appear best for her said wards
and as in any event she will ever
pray

that in her favor
atta for Pitman

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Sarah A Merrill
Guardian of

Ella Merrill
Money E Merrill
+ Lucy Merrill

application to sell
land

Filed April 23rd
1872 J M Lane
ccm

Sarah A Merrill, Guardian of the persons & Estates of Ella, Nancy E. & Lucy L. Merrill, minors

- 1977 -

Nancy E Merrill

To real estate as per Inventory	1200.00
To personally as per last showing recd on hand	234.00
To Aunt sales personally - Mares, Kate & Moa	
Cow "Katy" & Calf	136.00
To aunt excess board over sale bill	<u>26.00</u>
	1396.00

By real estate as land	1200.00
By personally as hand	34.00
By aunt pd for goods for clothing for ward	10.00
By aunt due Guardian for board for 1871	40.00
By aunt due Guardian for last showing	54.52
By aunt pd state, County, special & school taxes 1871	21.55
By excess board over sale bill	<u>26.00</u>
	1386.07
aunt cash on hand	<u>79.93</u>
	1396.00

Ella & Merrill

To realty as per Inventory	1200.00
To personally not sold	81.50
To Cash on Hand as per last showing	18.97%
To aunt of sale of Spanish mare to W R Smith	50.00
To aunt excess of board over sale	<u>10.00</u>

By Realty on hand as per Inventory	1200.00
By personally on hand	61.50
By aunt pd for merchandise for clothing &c	18.00
By aunt due Guardian for board &c for year 1871	20.00
By aunt pd state, County, special & school taxes 1871	15.23
By excess board over sale	<u>10.00</u>
By cash on hand	<u>18.74</u>
	1340.47%

To aunt Realty or hand
 To aunt personality or hand
 To aunt sale of personality
 To aunt Excess Inventory over sale

	Received
	1200.00
	34.00
	167.00
	28.00
	\$ 1429.00

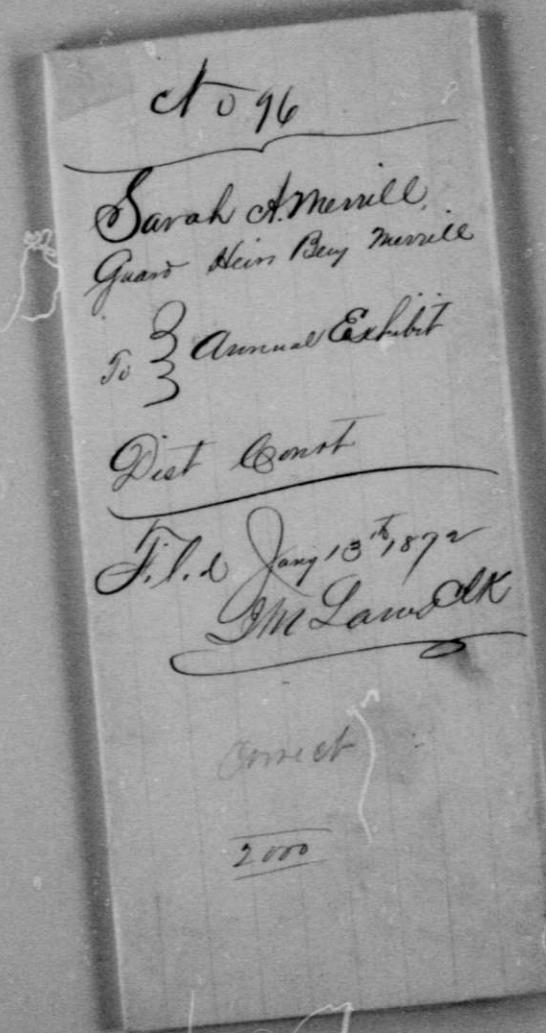
The State of Texas } Personally appeared before the undersigned authority
 County of Dallas } Sarah A. Merrill, guardian of the heirs of Rev. Merrill
 deceased who upon oath sayeth that the foregoing is a true
 and correct showing of the condition of the estate of her ward the last
 of her knowledge which

Sarah A. Merrill

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of January
 A.D. 1872 I M Davis
 Clerk of C. C. C. D.

Merrill

By aunt Realty or hand	1200.00
By aunt personality or hand	34.00
By aunts merchandise for Lucy - clothing etc	7.00
By aunt due Guards for board etc 1871	40.00
By aunt paid Doctor Gilbert medical services	27.00
By aunt State, County, special & school taxes for the year 1871 paid Mrs. Brown, Pitts	21.54
By aunt 2 cars forty on sale	24.00
By aunt due Guards as per last showing	61.05
By Cash or hand	15.41
	\$ 1429.00



Sarah A. Meewell Guardian of the Persons and Estates of Ella Stancy & Nancy L. Meewell
Minor heirs of Ben Meewell deceased

Dr
1871
In account Current with her Said Wards Estate

Nancy L. Meewell Estate

To Realty as per Inventory	\$1200.00	By Realty on hand as per Inventory	\$1200
To Personality not Sold	196.00	By Personality " " "	196
To amt Sale Bill Dec 28 th 1868	37.00	By amt paid for Merchandise forward 1868	20.
To difference in Sale Bill and appraiser	5.00	By " " " Board	7.0
To amt Sale Bill of Dec 24 th 1869	57.00	By difference in appraiser & Sale Bill	5.0
Total Debt	\$1495.00	By amt paid for Merchandise forward 1869	13.9
Bal due Guardee	54.52	By 12 mos Board	43.0
	\$1549.52	By amount paid State & Co Tax 1869 until 1870	51
		By amount " " " 1870 in 2. 1870	2.70
		By amt paid for Merchandise	3. 1870 6.7
		By amt paid for Board	" 4. 1870 56.0
			1549.5

Ella Meewell's Estate

To Realty as per Inventory	\$1200.00	By Real Estate as per Inventory	\$1200.0
To amt of Sale Bill of Dec 28 th 1868	110.00	By one Mare Poll Dead	75
To amt of Sale Bill of Dec 24 th 1869	57.00	By amt paid W. B. Smith Board & tuition 1868	44.0
Pay Personality not sold	\$135.50	Pay paid for Clothing 1868	48
By amt of Sale Bill of Jan 5 th 1871	638.00	By amt paid Board 1868	19.0
	\$1530.50	By amt Merchandise furnished 1869	59.3
		By amt paid for clothing by Ward Teacher 1870	26.7
		By amt " " Board & Clothing Teacher 2 " 21.0	21.0
		By amt paid May 20. 1870 County 1869 3m ³ 6.3	6.3

By Aunt paid for clothing of		
By Aunt " Board & Clothing Teacher 2 "	27.00	
By Aunt paid Taxe of Slave & County 1869 sum 3	637.25	
By amount paid Taxes year 1870 sum 4	6.14	
Cash on hand		
	1511.52	
	18.97	
	1530.30	
To Realty as per Inventory	Lucy S	
	\$1200.00	
To personalty not sold as per Inventory		229.00
To Sale Bill of deer 26 th 1868		60.00
To Sale Bill of Dec 24 1869		6.00
Total amt chargeable		1495.00
Bal due Grant		61.15
		1556.15

Meerill Estate		
By Realty as per Inventory		\$1200.00
By Personalty not Sold		8224.00
By Aunt paid at Gilbert 1868		10.80
By Aunt paid for Clothing 1868		15.00
By Aunt Clothing furnished 1869		184.80
By Aunt paid for Board 1868		82.80
By Aunt Clothing furnished 1870		5.50
By Aunt due Board for Board		35.00
By Aunt paid Taxes 1870		8.07
		1556.15

The State of Texas
County of Dallas

I Sarah A Merrill Guardian of the Persons and Estates of Ella
Barney & Lucy L Merrill Minors do Solemnly Swear that
the foregoing is a true and correct exhibit of the condition of the Estate of her said Wards
Oath to the best of her Knowledge and belief

Sarah A Merrill
Guardian

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 5th day of January AD 1871

P. McLaw Clerks
By G. E. Leombe Deputy.

No 96

Sarah J Morris
Guardian

10³ Annual account

West Court

Filed Jan 5th 1870
J M Davis CLK
By J E Combes
Aldby

Examined & found
Correct

J E Combes
Auditor

Recorded