

ESTATE

BEQUEATHED TO FAMILY AS A COMPANY—WILL OF J. W. BURGESS.

In the County Court yesterday was filed for record the will of J. W. Burgess, of Tarrant county, Texas, which instrument contains some provisions that will be of interest to residents of Lexington, since the testator once resided in this county and has relatives still living here.

He bequeathes to his children his estate equally, and to his three sons, William Warfield, John Innes and James E. Burgess, he bequeathes a sum equal to \$500 per year each since they arrived at the age of 21 years; that is to say, the first named having reached his majority February 24, 1892, receives \$2,706; the second having become of age January 12, 1894, receives \$2,143, and the third January 1, 1898, receives \$944, and they were each to receive \$500 per year for a period of five years from the date of the will, provided they continue the management of their father's estate. His son Duke Burgess was to receive \$300 per year during the remainder of the term of five years provided he remained with his elder brothers during the said five years. If any of the sons decide to labor for himself and not remain with the family and help to manage the estate, no further amounts shall be paid him. Besides the children named there are Lillie Burgess Smith, Ann Dora and Mary Estill Burgess, and the widow, Mrs. Susan Innes Burgess, who the testator desires to cooperate in the management of the estate. He also desires that the estate be managed under the firm name of J. W. Burgess & Co., the devisors to arrange among themselves which shall sign the firm name. No new debt of over \$3,000 shall be created without the concurrence of the majority of the executors, whom he names as Mrs. Burgess and his three sons, W. W., J. I. and James E. Burgess, of whom no bond shall be required. No strict account is to be kept of money received by his widow or any of his children for living expenses. The will is dated March 2, 1901.