Probate of Benjamin Boyer (1865)

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Submitted by Susan McNeil-Cheyney

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Recorded Vol 8 1865 page 45 No. 55 1865 Rule on the heirs & Legal Representatives of Benjamin Boyer dec'd 7th Feby 1866 heirs being called all make default, by the court of M. H. Boyles... December 21st 186? Served copy of this rule on Elizabeth Boyer (widow) Roseann wife of William **Dively Susanna wife** of George Gloss personally, on Mary Ann Martz by leaving copy at her residence with her son Harmon Martz on Henry Hay Guardian of the miners of Hariet Wilkey dec'd on Therisa wife of Jonas Sill Elizabeth wife of Francis Fantz & on Caroline wife of Michael Hayman by publication in ? County papers for six Weeks. Josiah Shafer Shff Shafer \$6.45 Publication in papers 6.00 \$12.45 K...& Schell (in margin) To accept or refuse to take the Real Estate or show cause why it should not be sold.

Somerset County SS Josiah Shafer Shff being duly affirmed says that he served the witness rule personally and by copy (twenty days prior to the return day of this writ) on all the heirs within named (residing in Somerset County) either personally or by copy. Affirmed and subscribed before me 5th Feb 1866 Jno H. Boyls} Josiah Shafer Clk

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Somerset County SS

At an Orphans Court held at Somerset in and for said County on the 13th day of November AD 1865 Before the Honorable the Judges.... On motion of Koontz & Schell Esq. the Court confirms the Inquisition on the Real estate of Benjamin Boyer deceased and grant a ... on the heirs and legal representatives of decedent to be and appear at an Orphans Court to be held at Somerset in and for said County on the first Monday of February next 1866 to accept or refuse to take the real estate of said deceased at the appraised price or show cause if any why (sic) the same should not be sold.

Extract from the records of said Court. Certified this 13th day of November AD 1865

John H. Boyts clk

Elizabeth Boyer (widow)

1 Mary Ann Martz

2 Theresa Sill Intermarried with Jonas Sill of Bloomington, McLean County Illinois

3 Elizabeth " with Francis Fantz of Bloomington McLean

4 Harriet Now deceased who was intermarried with Henry Wilkey, Somerset County, Pa.

5 Roseann Intermarried with William Dively of Northampton Township Somerset County PA

6 Susanna Intermarried with George Glauss of Northampton Township 7 Caroline Intermarried with Michael Hayman of Donegal Tp Westmoreland Co., PA

Heirs of Harriet who was intermarried with Henry Wilkey leaving issue Eliza Catharine Wilkey, Alvin E. Wilkey both of Northampton Twp of whom Henry Hay is guardian. Benjamin Wilkey of Donegal Twp. Westmoreland Co of whom Henry Hay is Guardian ad ...

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No. 55 1865 Inventory and appraisement Estate of **Benjamin Boyer** Late of Northampton twp... taken by the widow 28th August 1865 appraised and ordered to be recorded by the Court. John H. Boyts Clk Koontz & Schell Received July 22 1865 of David Dickey Adm of Benjamin Boyer the property appraised as within stated. Attest Elizabeth X Boyer S. Elrick her mark Gideon Bauman

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To David Dickey Adm of the Estate of Benjamin Boyer late of Northampton township Somerset Co Pa decd. David Dickey you are hereby notified to set about? to my use three hundred dollars worth monies propery & c out of the estate of my husband deceased in accordance with Acts of Assembly in such case made and provided. Attest Elizabeth X Boyer Daniel Shank her mark Gideon Bauman

I David Dickey Adm do hereby appoint Gideon Bowman & Daniel Shank to appraise the goods, monies and c may be taken by Elisabeth Boyer widow of Benjamin Boyer deceased.

> David Dickey Adm.

Somerset County SS

Personally appeared before the widow and a Justice of the Peace in & said for County Gideon Bowman Daniel Shank & Samuel Elrick who being duly sworn according to law say that they will well and truly appraise & set apart the property of the said deceased, to the value of three hundred dollars. Elected(?) by Elisabeth Boyer the widow of Benjamin Boyer...and in all respects perform their duty as appraisers in said estate...the unpartiality & fidelity to the best of their ... and skill. Sworn and subscribed before me July 22 1865 Daniel Shank David Dickey, J.P. }

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Inventory & appraisement of the Estate of Benjamin Boyer late of Northampton township deceased slected by Elizabeth his widow, appraised by ...

One cow	25.00	
One kettle	.25	
One stove and pipe	9.00	
One butter churn	1.00	
Twenty nine crocks	.29	
One smoothing iron	.25	
One bureau	5.00	
One bed	8.00	
One rocking chair	1.00	
Two plates 2 cups and sa	aucers .25	
One Promissory note		
H. D. and John A. father		
And Simon Kayworth	161.25	
(or Hayworth)		
by cash	<u>88.71</u>	
	\$300.00	

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We do hereby certify that the foregoing is just & true Inventory of the goods & chettles ... & credets of Benjamin Boyer late Northampton township decd taken by the widow and appraised by us ...our...this 22nd day of July 1865. David Shank Gideon Bauman

Samuel Elrick

Page 7 Vol 8 – 1865/page 402 No. 55 1865 The petition of Mary Ann Martz, ...daughter and heir at law of Benj. Boyer for inquest. 1 Sept 1865 Inquest awarded by the court John H. Boyts Clerk Writ issued K&L

Page 8 To wit Honorable the Judges of the Orphan's Court of Somerset County.

The petition Mary Ann Martz widow of William Martz decd, and daughter & heir at law of Benjamin Boyer late of Northampton Township decd, respectfully represents. The the said Benjamin Boyer died on or about the 18 day of June AD 1865, intestate, seized in his ... as of fee, of and in a certain...and tract of land, situate in Northampton Township, Somerset County Penna, adjoining lands of Henry Bittner, William Martz, Chistian Warner & Fiedrick Eugelka. Containing two hundred & thirty acres more or less, with the appurtenances, leaving to survive him a widow, Elizabeth Boyer, and seven children to wit, your petitioner, Theresa Sill intermarried with Jonas Sill of Bloominton, McLean Co, Illinois, "Elizabeth, intermarried with Francis Fantz, of Bloomington, McLean Co., Illinois, "Harriet, now deceased who was intermarried with Henry Wilkey, leaving issue Eliza Catharine Wilkey, Alvin E. Wilkey both of Northampton Tp of whom Henry Hay is guardian "Benjamin Wilkey of Donegal Tp. Westmoreland Co. of whom Henry Hay is guardian, ...Roseann, intermarried with William Dively of Northampton Township, Somerset Co. Pa. "Susanna, intermarried with George Glauss of Northampton Township, Somerset County Pena, and "Caroline, intermarried with Michael Hayman, of Donegal Tp. Westmoreland Co. Penna: that under and by virtue of the intestate laws of this Commonwealth it belays to the said Elizabeth Boyer, widow, to have one equal third part of said real estate for and (over)

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owning(?) the term of her life, and to the said heirs ...their respective shares of said real estate in fee.

An partition of said real estate having been had, the petitioner prays the Court to award an inquest to make partition of said real estate to and away the aforesaid parties, according to their respective rights And she will ... pray &...

Mary Ann X Martz

Her mark

Somerset County SS

Personally appeared Mary Ann Martz who being duly affirmed according to law, says, that the foregoing petition is correct & true & further saith not.

Affirmed & subscribed

Before me this 28th day } Mary Ann X Martz Of Aug, 1865, her mark John H. Boytz Clerk

Page 10 No. 55 1865 Sale List in the Estate Of Benjamin Boyer Late of Northampton Tp. Decd. Filed 30th Augs 1865 John H. Boyts Registrar "K&L"

Page 11 List of Sale of the Estate of Benjamin Boyer Late of Northampton Township, Decd August 11th 1865

Census information for Benjamin BOYER and his wife Elizabeth

1880 Census, Somerset County Penna ED:17, Northampton, hw-page 5

DIVELY, William (48) Father, Farmer, Pa

, Roseanna (48) Wife, Keeping, Pa

, Simon W (23) Son, Farm Labor, Pa

, Aaron H (13) Son, Pa

, George A (10) Son, Pa

, Jonas C (6) Son, Pa

BOYER, Elizabeth (89) Mother-in-law, Paralized in bed 2 yrs 6 months, Pa

1870 Census, Somerset County Pa Northampton Township, page 414A, hw-23

DIVELY, William (38) Laborer, \$2000/\$1000, Pa

, Rosana (38) Keeping House, Pa

, Jonathan (15) Works on farm, Pa

- , Simon W (13) Works on farm, Pa
- , Samuel W (11) Works on farm, Pa

, Aaron H (3), Pa

, George H (6/12), Pa

BOYER, Elizabeth (79) At Home, Pa

1860 Census, Somerset County Pa Northampton Township, hw-page 168, stamped page 338

BOYER, Benjamin (66) Farmer, \$2,000/\$330, Penna , Elizabeth (69), Penna WILKEY, Eliza (12), Penna			
1850 Census, Somerset County Pa Allegheny Township, page 147B BOYER, Benjamin (54) Farmer, \$2000, Penna , Elizabeth (59), Penna , Lucy A (18), Penna , Susan (15), Penna BISEL, Benjamin (7), Penna			
1840 Census, Somerset Pa Allegheny Twp, pg 15 BOYER, Benjamin 1 Male 5-to-10 1 Male 15-to-20 1 Male 40-to-50 2 Females 5-to-10 2 Females 10-to-15 2 Females 15-to-20 1 Female 30-to-40	1830 Census, Somerset Pa Allegheny Twp, pg 60 BOYER, Benjamin 1 Male under-5 1 Male 5-to-10 1 Male 30-to-40 2 Females under-5 2 Females 5-to-10 1 Female 10-to-15 1 Female 30-to-40	1820 Census, Somerset Pa Allegheny Twp, page 140 BOYER, Benjamin 1 Male 16-to-26 3 Females to-10 1 Female 16-to-26 1 in Agriculture Occupation	

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