

Magbee Drive is a one block long street running from McCauley Street to South Cobb Drive in the neighborhood of the City of Smyrna's King Spring Park. Frame houses constructed by the Bennett family in the early 1950's line the street. The length of the street, however, does not reflect the impact the Magbee family had on the area in the mid and late 1800's and up into the 1900's. An estate file on record in the Georgia Department of Archives and History on Laban Magbee is a valuable historical document of the War Between the States era showing the values of slaves and goods at the height of the war but just a few months prior to the actual fighting in Cobb County. It also shows the names of many residents of the area who participated in the estate sale. You will also note the inflated food prices and the difference in the value of the appraisal which occurred in June, 1863, and the values at the sale in October, 1863. (To be in next issue of Lives & Times.)

APPRAISEMENT

Inventory and Appraisalment of the estate of Laban Magbee, deceased. Recorded in Inventory Book D, Page 738, July 16, 1863, filed June 12, 1863.

No 1 Mose a Negro man, value	300.00	one old waggon	15.00
No 2 Tom "	2500.00	Plow gear at 2.00 each	8.00
No 3 Jordon	2000.00	Plows & stock	6.00
No 4 George	2000.00	Maddocks	4.00
No 5 Willis	1600.00	reap hook	.50
No 6 Amy , Negro Woman	500.00	Grind stone	1.00
No 7 Sarkie	1500.00	Chairs	18.00
No 8 Baby	1000.00	5 common chairs	10.00
No 9 Nancy	1500.00	Table with drawer	2.00
No10 Mary	1500.00	Tin box	1.00
No11 Tom, a boy	1200.00	Latches	5.00
No12 John "	1000.00	Clock	5.00
No13 Tabitha, a girl	1000.00	Small table	1.00
No14 Lup, "	600.00	Looking glass	.50
Dolly "	300.00	1 bed & stid	30.10
1 Muely cow and calf	160.00	1 bed & stid	40.00
1 Muely cow, read sides & calf	100.00	1 bed & stid	20.00
1 Muely cow white back & belly	75.00	100 lbs of cotton, more or less	----
1 Muely heifer	75.00	Reg & can	1.00
1 Muely cow, brindle head	40.00	Slab	8.00
1 cow with horns	60.00	Coffee Mill	.50
1 Heifer read sides	50.00	Saddle & bridle	5.00
1 Heifer with black side	25.00	2 dog plates	6.00
1 small heifer read sides	25.00	Cups & saucers	5.00
1 small bull	50.00	Small pitchers	2.00
Head of sheep at 6 dollars each	90.00	1 bason candle mold & scissors	3.00
large white sow	30.00	gars and 1 jug	5.00
white sow	30.00	1 pr. fire dogs	1.50
sow with blue spots	25.00	Pair of tongs & shovel	1.00
shoats	22.50	Shot gun and pouch	5.00
gray mule	100.00	Lot of wood at 3.00 per pound	----
Clay bank horse	150.00	???? & screuter plows	4.00
sorrell horse	80.00	Hoes	4.00
buggy and harness	57.00	Shovel & log chains & 2 pieces	
two horse waggon & britchin	60.00	chains, brickmaker & saw	4.50
geese	16.00	1 smoothing iron	----
set of smith tools	50.00	1 pair of ????????gimblet	1.75
Set of old irons	2.00	1 jack plain, 2 chisels, 2 axes	5.00
Augers, hand saw & square	3.00	1 dinner pot	3.00
frow	1.00	1 oven and lid	1.50
Ot ring & staple	1.50	1 tea kittle	1.50

1 small oven	1.50	"	Leroy Morris	2.00
1 crock	.50	"	Nathan Gann	8 00
1 spider	1.00	"	W. J. Barnwell	5 00
1 Strainer	1.00	"	J. M. Magbee	27. 00
1 water bucket	.50	1 note on	C. W. Anderson	150. 00
1 sifter & one gas	1.50	"	W. A. Sealy	4. 20
1 wash pot	6. 00	"	Self & Cawsey	----
1 wash tub	1.50	"	W. Adair	1. 20
2 ??? wheels	7. 00	"	M. J. Magbee with notes	352.50
1 lot boxes and barrells	.50	"	J. C. Bowden	5 00
2 pad locks	.75	"	J. W. Brown	5 30
20 acres of land	2000. 00	"	T. L. Grimett	16. 00
1 note on John B Aycock	50. 00	"	J. W. Magbee 2 notes	30. 00
" J. D. Powell	5. 90			

State of Georgia: We do certify upon oath that as was produced to us by the Cobb County: administrator of the above and foregoing contains a true appraisalment of the goods, chattles and credits of the estate of Laban Magbee, deceased to the best of our judgement and understanding.

Given under our hands and offical signatures this 9th day of June, 1863.

E. W. Lindley , J. K. Cattin, John S. Aycock, Appraisers.

I hereby certify that the above appraisers were sworn to perform their duties as appraisers according to law this 9th day of June, 1863.

Signed E. W. Lindley, J. P.

Laban Magee, Deceased

Cash on hand 23. 45

Book of Blacksmith accts. 37. 69

June 9, 1863

Signed Milton J. Magbee, Admnst.