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Jefferson County Negro Sends Children Check for $1,000 Each.

Topeka, July 17.—George W. Jones, a well-to-do negro of Jefferson county, where he has lived for 56 years, recently distributed some of his estate among his ten children. He sent them a check for $1,000 each. Three of his children live in Topeka. Jones was born a slave in Montgomery county, Ky., in 1845. When the Emancipation proclamation freed the slaves he was owned by a Platte county, Mo., famer. A year later he went to Jefferson county, Kas., and took up a homestead. This continues to be his home. He is considered one of the successful farmers of the county.

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