

239 In the name of God amen I Nathaniel Law of Franklin County  
State of Virginia being at this time blessed with a sound mind and  
Last Will disposing memory and knowing that it is appointed unto all men  
Once to die do make and ordain this my last <sup>will</sup> Testament hereby  
revoking all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made  
1<sup>st</sup> I Give unto my beloved wife Rachel Law for and during  
her natural life. And the third part of my real & personal Estate  
2<sup>nd</sup> I Give and bequeath unto my nine sons & two daughters and  
my grand son Henry Law (son of my son Burwell) namely  
my son John Law, my son Edmund Law, my son Henry Law, my son  
Jesse Law, my son Robert Law, my Daughter Elizabeth Vance,  
my son Albert Law, my son Adam Law, my Daughter Sally Farmer  
my son Nathaniel Law and my son Peyton Law. The remaining two  
thirds of my Estate to them and their heirs forever to be equally  
divided between them after deducting the several sums added  
hereinafter to names. Viz my son John Law five Dollars my son  
Edmund Law fifty five Dollars my son Henry Law fifteen Dollars  
my son Jesse Law forty two Dollars my son Robert Law fifty eight  
Dollars & thirty three Cents my Daughter Elizabeth Vance twenty  
five Dollars my son Adam Law forty Dollars thirty seven and half  
Cents my Daughter Sally Farmer twenty five Dollars, my  
son Nathaniel Law thirty two Dollars my son Peyton Law  
thirty Dollars my grand son Henry Law (son of Burwell)  
ninety nine Dollars and thirty four Cents all of which <sup>my sons</sup> ~~sons~~  
Daughters has previously Received. It is my Will and special  
desire that, that part of my Estate that will fall to my grand  
son Henry Law (son of Burwell) shall remain in the hands of  
my Executors hereinafter named untill he Henry shall become  
of the age of twenty one years old and to be paid out to the best advantage  
for his Henrys special benefit and in case he shall die without  
lawful issue before he becomes <sup>to the age of</sup> twenty one. Then and in that case  
I wish that part of my Estate that falls to him to be equally divided  
between my nine sons & two Daughters to them their heirs &c  
forever

3<sup>rdly</sup> my Will and desire is that at the Death of my beloved wife Rachel  
Law the said third part of my Estate that I have lent her to  
equally divided between my nine sons & two Daughters as before  
mentioned and my grand son Henry Law (son of Burwell Law) to  
return in the same way if he Henry shall die before

520 become twenty One or without lawfull issue to my nine sons  
Two Daughters & be equally divided as before named  
It is my Will and desire is that my Executors herein after named  
pay all just debts and funeral expences out of my Estate  
before any division takes place  
5thly and lastly I do nominate constitute and appoint  
my sons Adam Law and Peyton Law Executors to this my  
Last Will & Testament as Witness my hand I Seal this  
9th day of May 1823 Nathaniel Law for Seal

signed sealed & published in the  
presence of us as the last Will  
& Testament of Nathaniel Law for  
Thomas Ramsey  
mark  
William Stoley  
mark  
P. Dickerson

At a Court held for Franklin County at the Court house the 2nd  
day of June 1823

This last Will and Testament of Nathaniel Law for  
deceased was produced in Court by Adam Law and Peyton Law  
the Executors herein named and sworn by the oath of Thomas Ramsey  
William Stoley and Peasant Dickerson the subscribing Witnesses  
herein and Ordered to be Recorded

And on the Motion of said Executors, who took the oaths prescribed  
by Law, and together with Remond Law, John Rogers, and Stephen  
Stegener entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty  
of ~~thirty thousand Dollars~~ <sup>the Executors</sup> ~~Conditioned according to Law~~, Certificate  
is granted them for obtaining a Probate in due form

Teste Caleb Tate C. H.

Richard Apple to an order of the honorable County Court of Franklin  
County to wit, directed after first being sworn have Valued the  
Inventory of Property of Adam Richard decd. to wit

1 feather bed, head & furniture	\$ 15 00
1 small bed & sundries 3/4 bed that paid 18/	3 50
1 Large chest 12 1/2 small tin trunks 1 Post bedstead 2	75

569 At a Court held for Franklin County at the Courtroom the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 1824

This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Charles Melaid Dec<sup>d</sup> was returned and ordered to be Recorded

Teste Circuit Court to, &c

Law In Obedience to an order from the County Court of Franklin to us Nathaniel dec<sup>d</sup> after first being sworn for that purpose we have proceeded Inventory & to appraise in current money the Estate of Nathaniel Law Dec<sup>d</sup> as shown to us by Edward D. Peyton Law's executor of Nathaniel Law Dec<sup>d</sup> in manner & form following

	\$	¢
1 Black cow & Yearling	9	-
1 Red cow & Yearling	9	-
1 Red heifer	7	-
1 Black cow	7	-
1 Steer	5	-
1 Cow & calf & Bell	10	-
1 Red Steer	7	-
1 White cow & Yearling	7	-
1 Yoke Steers	26	-
6 Hens	2	-
1 Barrel Maud	25	-
1 Roan Mare	20	-
2 Sets plow Hoes	3	-
1 Set back	25	-
6 Dressing hoes	1	50
2 Matas & 1 Spring hoe	90	-
2 plow Hoes	60	-
1 Broad ax	1	50
3 fold axes	2	-
1 Iron & 1 Hammer	75	-
3 Service Augers & 1 Chippel	1	25
1 Carpenters Jointer, crow & Bowel	50	-
2 for Wages	1	-



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	\$	¢
Ant. Burt forward	145	35
Lydia & child Anna	200	
Walter & child Susanna	500	
Simon	150	
Franky & child Matilda	350	
Vina & child Rachel	400	
Samuel	200	
Delphica	250	
Charity	200	
Paulina	80	
Reby	300	
7 Bee stands	111	
1 Loom & Gear	2	50
1 Out Krib		37 1/2
1 Flax Wheel	1	50
1 Lemonade Saddle	2	00
1 Milk churn		50
1 Kitchen Table		75
3 peggins		75
2 Dutch Ovens & Lead & 2 sp pot Hooks	5	50
1 Shovel 1 Ladle 1 Skimmer & 1 flesh fork	2	
3 Pewter Dishes 3 basons & 7 Plates	10	
1 Cotton wheel	1	
1 Cotton wheel & Washing Tub	1	
1 sp two tiers		75
1 Lot stand ward	1	50
1 flour Tub		50
2 baskets Tallow supposed to be 15 <sup>lb</sup> @ 12 <sup>cts</sup>	1	87 1/2
2 Bowls		50
2 Sythes & Crustles	2	50
1 plow stock & hind		75
Carried forward	\$3125	50
Ant. Burt forward	3125	50
3 beatties	2	25

5/11.	1 Or Cart	7	—
	3 empty <i>Sh.</i>		7 <sup>5</sup>
	1 Lot Tobacco supposed to be 100	2	50
	3 Old Books		50
	2 Shot Guns & Shot bag	10	50
	1 Candle Stand with draw & tilt	4	—
	1 Pine Table	1	50
	2 feather bed furniture & sheets	40	—
	1 Small Trunk		7 <sup>5</sup>
	1 pattern Deer skins	2	—
	1 pine cupboard & contents of Earthen ware	10	—
	1 Decanter & 2 tumblers &c	1	50
	3 Sugs	2	50
	1 Feather bed & furniture stand & cord	20	—
	1 Walnut Table & Tylet	1	50
	8 Chairs	2	67
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		\$3235.12	

1. Feather Bed & furniture	15	—
1 D. & furniture &c	5	—
1 Chest Tylet &c	1	—
1 Lot Cotton supposed to be 100 <sup>0</sup> 12 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12	50
5 Yarn Counter spins	20	—
1 Flax Hackle	—	50
1 for Hartgards	1	50
2 Small Barrels		25
1 Lot Yarn yarn supposed to be 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> <sup>0</sup>	1	12 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
1 Lot Flax		25
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	3292	54 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
Account sent forward	3292	54 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
1 Candle stick & candle & 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> pot		37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
1 for Taylors shears		37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
1 for Sharp shears		50

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1 Curmingle	\$	\$
1 Looking Glass & Towel		25
1 Bay named Coll	10	
144 bags	12	
16 sheep	26	67
1 Lot Wool supposed to be 10 <sup>00</sup> @ 57 <sup>00</sup>	57	
3 Bk <sup>ts</sup> indy	1	
1 fpr Leather		50
5 <sup>00</sup> old Tubs		75
1 Blank size	1	
1 claw hammer 1 Lot Tobacco hanging in House supposed to be 155 <sup>00</sup> after deducting overseers part out 5 <sup>00</sup>		9: 10
1 Lot corn supposed to be 110 Barrels after deducting Overseers part out 10 <sup>00</sup>		66: 67
1 Lot short corn supposed to be 8 Barrels 5 <sup>00</sup>		6: 67
3 Stacks blakes		11
1 Top Stacks & shucks		5
1 do do do		3 33
2 <sup>00</sup> Black Stacks		5
	<u>\$3150</u>	98 <sup>00</sup>
9 Bushels wheat 50		1: 50
2 & a piece Oats Stacks supposed to be 20 Bushels after deducting Overseers part Out 25 <sup>00</sup>		2 6
Learned forward	\$3161	18 <sup>00</sup>
Start Post forward	3161	18 <sup>00</sup>
1 Stack Rice supposed to be 5 bushels after deducting Overseers part Out 50 <sup>00</sup>		2 50
1 Lot seed Cotton supposed to be 15 <sup>00</sup> after deducting Overseers part Out 4 <sup>00</sup>		6
1 sides Leather		11
2 Raw hides		3 50
	<u>\$3477</u>	48 <sup>00</sup>
A Bond on Robert A. Dickinson for this sum	326	
	<u>\$3803</u>	48 <sup>00</sup>

P Dickinson  
 Francis Swanson  
 Saml A. Muss  
 Saml Young  
 October 23rd 1872

we Adam Law & Payson Law executors of Nathaniel Law Dec<sup>d</sup> do return  
the within foregoing list of Property as a true & perfect Inventory  
of the estate of Nathaniel Law Dec<sup>d</sup>

Adam Law & Payson Law Executors of  
Nathaniel Law Dec<sup>d</sup>

October 20<sup>th</sup> 1822

At a court held for Franklin County at the Courthouse the 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of January 1824

This Inventory & appraisement of the Estate of Nathaniel  
Law Dec<sup>d</sup> was returned and ordered to be recorded

Teste Court Clerk T. B.

Russell  
John S  
of Court  
per  
Ex<sup>2</sup>

The Estate of William A. Russell Dec<sup>d</sup> In agreement with  
John S. Russell Ex<sup>2</sup>

June 16	To Cash P <sup>r</sup> Paid funders W. A. Russell	N. 1	200	00
"	D <sup>r</sup> Editors of Enquirer	2	26	37
"	D <sup>r</sup> Edmund Tate	3	10	53
"	D <sup>r</sup> Edward Conway	4	5	10
July 3	D <sup>r</sup> Moses St. Louis	5	350	00
" 7	20 <sup>th</sup> 1822 To Cash P <sup>r</sup> George Townes		51	94
"	Cash P <sup>r</sup> George Townes	6	45	00
"	1 <sup>st</sup> Cotton cards by knitting pins	7	1	12 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
August	" 11 <sup>th</sup> for Cotton cards @ 58 <sup>cts</sup>	8	33	
" 7	Cash P <sup>r</sup> for 12 Tobacco notes	9	00	
"	for Ag. Solution of Arsonic			38
"	Cash P <sup>r</sup> Tax & Tickets for 1821. p <sup>r</sup> Rect	N. 7	81	46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
October	" D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> John Wells for Arsonic		10	00
Nov <sup>r</sup> 18	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> Greed Boggs p <sup>r</sup> Rect	N. 8	110	82
"	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> Thomas A. Russell	9	120	00
"	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> George Tucker	10	535	00
"	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> D. Stakes	11	200	00
"	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> for 10 Tobacco notes		5	00
Decem <sup>r</sup> 17	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> E. M. Nephew	12	150	56
1822	" 11 <sup>th</sup> Cotton @ 15 <sup>cts</sup>		26	28
January	Cash P <sup>r</sup> Rancho Mangation to p <sup>r</sup> Rect	N. 13	106	20
" 14	D <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> A. Russell	14	5	00



Rachel Lawrence, to an Order from the Honorable County Court of Franklin  
 to us directed. We have proceeded to lay off and assign to Rachel Law  
 widow & Relict of Nathaniel Law Jr Dec. her Dower in the lands and  
 Slaves of her deceased husband, agreeable to his last Will and  
 Testament in the following Manner and form Viz. We lay off and  
 assign to her the lands whereon the mansion House stands and  
 bounded by the following lines Viz. Beginning at a new corner  
 white Oak in John Graves line thence a new line nearly a south  
 course through the plantation to a new corner red Oak in Jesse  
 Prindys line near a path & in the head of a hollow. Thence  
 with Prindys line a east course to Brewers line & with  
 Brewers (to Shewshung) near Law & Graves corner white Oak thence  
 with Graves line nearly a West course to the Beginning. We also  
 allot and assign to her Three negroes, namely, Simon Violet & her  
 child Lucinda. The Estate paying to her twenty six Dollars & sixty  
 seven Cents. Which will make her lot of negroes equal to One third  
 part of all the Slaves belonging to the said Deceaseds estate

P. Dickinson

Francis Swanson

Sam. A. Muse

October 13<sup>th</sup> 1823

" " "

At a court held for Franklin County January 5<sup>th</sup> 1824

The Within assignment of Dower to Rachel Law widow  
 and Relict of Nathaniel Law Jr Deceased was returned into Court  
 and Order to be recorded

Teste

(Sato C. J. C.)

Inventory of property belonging to the Estate of Thomas Hart Dec.  
 taken & appraised 3<sup>rd</sup> of January One thousand eight hundred &  
 twenty four  
 And on 11<sup>th</sup> of March 1824 do 25<sup>th</sup> December 1816 balance



579	1 Clock	5	00
1	Bed furniture with painted bedstead & cord	15	00
2	" do " do do do	27	00
1	" do " do do do	8	00
1	" do " do	1	00
1	Walnut cupboard	15	00
1	Earthen Dish of 9 potatoes	1	12 1/2
2	Sugar dishes 1 Bowl. 2 white pitchers 1 Black do 5 Tea spoons 1 Broken set of cups & saucers of 1 Large Tea board	1	75
1	Small Winder. 2 Glass salt cellars 1 Tea canister 1 Broken Tea pot. 1 broken pitcher of 4 black bottles	1	25
1	Wanter of 7 glass for pint Tumblers	"	50
1	Sup of 1 Glass pitcher 5 etc	1	25
1	Box knives & forks of 1/2 Box spoons	"	75
1	Wooden Sugar box	"	12 1/2
1	pair Sheepsheads of 1 pair Flat Irons	1	25
1	Small Walnut Table	"	50
1	Walnut chest	1	75
1	pair do small	"	75
1	Walnut Table 2 Table cloths of 1 Table	1	00
1	bundle mould 1 Rap candle stick of 2 Iron of 1 canister of 1 Smuffers	"	75
6	chairs	1	25
1	pair Old fire dogs	1	50
1	Columbian Orator 1 Old dictionary 1 Music book 1 Prayer book of 1 State	"	75
1	pair Kitchen fire Dogs	1	25
1	Shovel of 1 Tongue	"	50
2	Corns of 1/2 do. 1 Large of 2 small Iron pots 1 Large Skillet of 2 small do. 1 Baker. 1 Iron bowl of 1 Lid	7	00
Forwarded		210	25
Amount Forwarded		210	25
1	Trifling sum of 10 Cts for Tea	"	10

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1 Old meal saw, 2 Iron coffee mills 1 Tray	2	00
2 Iron pot racks & 2 pair pot Hooks	2	10
1 Old Coon, 1 Hay & 2 pair Hens	3	00
1 Iron horse bar, 2 small pots & 1 small Tub	1	00
1 Kitchen Cupboard	"	50
2 Tin coffee pots	"	50
1 Old wooden Basin & 3 do plates	"	50
1 Pew Stand	2	00
19 Skids	5	50
1 Small fatting Hog	"	75
1 Old shot gun	"	50
1 Small grind stone	"	75
1 Flax wheel & 1 bent reel	"	50
2 small stone butter pots	"	50
1 parcel Iron Tools	"	25
1 parcel of Cookers mitch	"	63
1 pack 1 Smoothing, & guttering plane	"	25
1 Sh. wood	"	50
3 Augers 5/4 3/4 & 2/4 1 Inch & 1 bush chipel 1 gauge	1	50
1 drawing knife 1 Hand saw & Old barrel Auger	"	50
1 Old cash & 3 do do	2	50
1 Lock chain	"	00
3 Milling Nocs, 2 Mallocks, 2 pole axes 2 Iron wedges	3	25
1 y. Inch chipel	"	75
1 Broad ax 1st 1 Litch blade & blade 1:25	"	50
1 Cotton wheel & gears	"	50
1 pair old Saws & Traces	"	50
1 Shovel pole & 1 bucket	"	50
2 Old Hinges Iron Axes & pair of 1 pair snatches	254	08
Forwarded	2511	08
Amount forwarded	2	00
1 cutting box & knife	8	00
1 white m horn & cow	4	00
1 do Knives	8	10
1 Black & white cow	2	25
2 calves	9	00
6 Sheep	15	00
1 Old bay mare	25	00
1 Young bay mare		

