

August 1783

A Court held for Halifax County the 21st day of Aug^r 1783
This account Current of the Estate of Michael Matthews deceased
was returned by the Person appointed for settling the same. and the
same was passed & ordered to be Recorded.

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Test.

Geo. Carrington. Ck.

Truly records

Test Geo. Carrington Ck.

In the Name of God Amen. I Stephen Towns of Halifax
County being in a low state of health. but of perfect mind and
memory. I pray you God for the same. do make Constituted and
ordain this and none other but this to be my last Will and
Testament in manner & form following. Viz.

My Will and desire is that all my lawfull Debts to paid by
my Ex^{rs}. Item. I lend to my will beloved Wife Lucy Towns
during her natural life or widowhood the Land & Plantation
whereon I now live containing four hundred Acres. with the
benefit and labour of the following Slaves. Viz. Benjamin,
Tom, Frank, Jacob, Bantony, Betty, Pegg, Eliza. for her
use. and the bringing up & educating my Children.
Item. I give and bequeath to my dear and will beloved
Children Viz. Sarah, Scivania, & Lucrosia Towns. with my
beloved wife Lucy Towns. the above mentioned Land & Slaves
And in case my Wife Lucy Towns being now in a State of pregnancy
when Delivered of son or Daughter, it should survive my Will
and desire is that, that with the rest of my Children and my
wife aforesaid, should share an equal part of my Estate, be it
what it will. And in case it should die, I desire
to made at the coming of age of my youngest Child, by an and
equal Division as can be made among them. of the above mention
Estate. And lastly I do appoint Constituted and ordain my brother
Caleb Towns, William Watkins, Executors, with my beloved
wife Lucy Towns. Executor, of this my last Will & Testament.
Hoping they will see the same duly performed, as my Trust is in the
Reposed. and confirming this & none other but this to be my last Will and
Testament. In Witness whereof I have set my hand & affix my seal
this 21st April 1783.

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A Court held for Halifax County the 21st day of Aug^r 1783
This last will & Testament of Stephen Towns Deceased was exhibited in
Court by the Executors herein named. and the same was proved by the Oaths of
two of the subscribing witnesses, and ordered to be Recorded.

And on the Motion of the said Executors who made Oath here to according to
Law. Certificate was granted them for obtaining Probate hereof in due
form. They giving security whereupon they together with James Coleman,
Geo. Hilly, James Le Grand, & Richard Carter their Securit^{ys}. entered
into and acknowledged Bond for the same according to Law.

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Test Geo. Carrington. Ck.

Truly records

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Geo. Carrington Ck.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Joseph Street of Halifax Co. ^{County} being in good health, prayed be God. Do make this my last Will
and Testament as follows. Item I give to my son John Street all the
tract of Land whereon I now live containing three hundred & 13 Acres
after the death of his Mother. Item my wife is that all my just Debts
shall be paid and the residue of my estate to be equally Divided between
the rest of my Children and my son David Street whom I make sole
Executor with his Mother. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal this 2^d of July 1781. Sealed and declared by the
above named Joseph Street for and as his last will and Testament
In the Presence of us.
John Bodrick, Moses Bodrick,
John Richardson

Joseph Street. Ls.

A Court held for Halifax County the 21st day Feb^r 1782
This last will & Testament of Joseph Street Deceased. was exhibited in
Court by the same was proved by the Oaths of two of the subscribing witnesses
hereunto and ordered to be Recorded.

Test Geo. Carrington. Ck.

A Court held for Halifax County the 21st day of August 1783
David Street. one of the Executors herein named Came into Court & desired to take
on him the burden of the Execution hereof. And on the Motion of James Street. the
Executors herein named, who made Oath here to according to Law. Certificate

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Robert, John and Smith Kents, and lastly I suppose Obadiah Kent, George Wade, and John Hagland, Executors of their last will and Testament Signed and Observed this first day of October 1788.

In presence of
James Hardwick
William Wilson
his
Littleberry + Strange
mark
John O. Boyd
mark.

Leake Kent L.S.

At a Court continued and held for Halifax County the 28th day of October 1789

The within written last will and Testament of Luke Kent Dec^d was exhibited into Court and proved by the oaths of two of the witnesses therunto subscribed to be the act and will of the said Kent Dec^d and Ordered to be recorded. And on the Motion of Obadiah Kent one of the Executors therein named, certificate for obtaining probate was granted him on his taking the oath & giving security in due form whereupon he together with Frederick Carter and David Brandon, his securities, entered into, and acknowledged Bond for the purpose according to law. Reserving liberty to the other Executors therein named to join in the Executorship when they shall think proper.

Witness
George Harrington Clk. H.C.
Toby Pearson Task William Thompson Sec. H.C.

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Stephen Towne's Debt to Caleb Towne

		Jt.		Caleb Towne
1788	Aug 12	To Cash paid Phillis Bonner for 1 months Work	10 0	Acc. Cur.
		To Cash paid for turning up Tobacco	5 -	
		To my Expenses for carrying Tobacco	12 -	
		To Expenses for Fumage	7 0	
		To Steel Bought of Robert Tharmon	3 6	
Dec 6		To 1 case Knives and forks	7 0	
		To 6 yards of Blanketing	9 -	
		To Cash paid William Pace for Trade oaths	7 0	
		To Cash paid Philip Day for jumping an ox	2 -	
		To Fumage	7 0	
		To 1 Bushell corn at Babb	2 -	
		To turning up one Hhd Tobacco	2 -	
		To 10 yards Cotton a 3/4 y	1 10 -	
		To 1 yard Linnen	3 0	
		To 1 1/2 yard of black mode for Elly Towne	12 8	
		To Cash paid Thomas Lippcomb 1/2 Gallons Whiskey	9 0	
		To 3 rd Coffee	4 6	
		To 2 nd Capers	1 7	
		To 2000 Light penny nails a 1/2 p 1/11	18 -	
		To 2000 Six penny nails and 1/4 yard Nails	15 10	
		To 1 yard of Gynabrag for the nails	1 3	
		To 1/2 p th Steel	5 1/2	
		To 100 th Loon	1 17 6	
		To 1/2 Bushell salt	9 -	
		To 1/2 Blanketing a 1/2 y	1 15 -	
		To 1 Little Bell mettle	1 2 -	
		To 50 th brown sugar a 6 th c	1 5 -	
		To 1 Gallons Rum a 1/4 -	10 -	
		To 1 Groundstone	7 3	
		To 2 Papers of Penns a 1/2	2 -	
		To cash paid Woody Brooks for Rolling Tobacco	2 5 -	
		To turning up 2 Hhd Tobacco	6 -	
		To Fumage of 2 Hhd Tobacco	2 0	
		To cash paid William Carter for Rolling Tobacco	2 -	
		To 100s Comand Oxen bring up gades	0 14 0	
		To 1 Broaf lock	0 3 -	
		To 2 nd Coffee	3 -	
1789		To 1 p th Steel	5 1/2	

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1784		Am ^t brought over	
Apr 15	No 4	To Cash Paid James Lybrand the season of a Mare	1 10
		To Cash paid Sheriff for Tax year 1783	10 15 6
		To ^{at} Richard Carter bringing up goods	8
		To ^{at} James Irvine bringing up goods	0 9
5		To ^{at} James Brooks for 3/4 gallon Rum	1 1
June 22		To ^{at} William Wood for Carpenters work	6 19
X7 8		To ^{at} James Brooks for waggoning Tobacco	2 3
9		To Cash Paid Saml ^l Carter	3
10		To ^{at} James Williams for coopersing	2 16
		To ^{at} James Brooks for paper	1 9
11		To ^{at} James McEwan for Clocks Tickets	10 8
12		To ^{at} William Cottrill for Rolling Tobacco	1 15
		To 1 Comb	1
13		To cash paid Archibald Marbury for fitting	1 1 5
14		To cash paid Joseph Haynes	2 12 1
		To ^{at} William Turner for cutting an horse	2 5
		To Triage of 1 Hhd Tobacco crops & revers	3 4
May 21		To ^{at} John Irvine	5
No 15		To ^{at} Brown Sugar 2 9 lb	15
		To asking an Ovisus for the year 83	25 0
Aug 1/14	No 16	To cash paid John Paines for saddling	1 1 5
17		To ^{at} Robert Scott for Smith work	15
		To 1 pair suppers	1
Nov 10		To Cash paid William James for shoemaking	14 8
19		To Cash paid Walter Brown Crutcheing with	10
		To 1 Meal tifter	9
1785		To Cash paid Arnald gun for a season	9
21		To ^{at} Cunningham & Harper for goods	1 11 8 1/4
24		To ^{at} William Morrison for 24 days work	7 5 7 1/2
Apr 22		To ^{at} the Sheriff for Taxes (Hopson)	8 9
23		To ^{at} James Cantelon for Goods	17
		To ^{at} the fishermen for fish	2 5
		To 1 Knot bridle belt	2
		To 1 Comb	2
		To Cash paid John Oliver for mending a wheel	2 0
		To 500 saddle Ties	2
May 19		To Cash paid Blum & Hanks for goods	0 5
25-26		To Triage of 5 Hhd Tobacco at Bonville	5

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1785		Am. brought forward	
May 22	No 17	To Cash paid John Dick for Rolling 1 Hhd Tobacco	2 8 0
29		To ^{at} Wm ^l Brooks for Rolling 1 Hhd Tobacco	1 10
		To ^{at} Joseph Haynes for means	1
		To 1 Brass cock	3 0
		To 1 Bushel corn & provision for day returning from Pitt	3 7 1/2
20		To turning up 3 Hhd Tobacco	6
29		To cash paid John Scott for back carriage	9
40		To ^{at} James Scott and back	10 0
July 2		To ^{at} John H. John Dick	10
X 31		To Cash paid Brown & Pannell for goods	1 11 0
32		To ^{at} John Dick for 2 Bushel Limes	12
		To ^{at} Canningham & Harper for Goods	3
33		To Cash paid John Paines for work	8 3
34		To ^{at} William Boyd for hire of 5 stills	1 11 1/4
35		To ^{at} Walter Brown for weaving	11
36		To ^{at} Henry B. Kirby for Smith work	2 1 3
		To 2 1/2 yards of Oynaburg	2 1
		To my proportion of a quantity of Coal sold	3 11 1/4
Aug 1	No 18	To cash paid Peter Wille for coopersing	1 0 9
19		To ^{at} Hapsons Charles for 1 quart of Cloves oil	1
31-19		To ^{at} Pannell & Brown for Goods for Goods	18 3
		To Provide account of Peter Hike	7
Sep 1		To cash paid Lewis Cantelon for 11 1/2 black (servants & ff)	5
		To ^{at} Pannell & Brown for 1 1/4 yds Saloons	3 5
39		To ^{at} H. Cunningham for 1 1/2 yds Servants	3 9
		To Expenses to Cumberland Hill Townes	4
40		To Cash paid Sheriff the 1/4 Tax	3 15 3
41		To ^{at} Martha Parker for 3 weeks work	7 5
		To 5 quarts Rum	8 3
Nov 12		To cash paid Neil Waddie mending a ring	2 0
		To 3/4 gallon Basons 2 3/9	7 5
Dec 13		To cash paid William Paines for shoe making	18 3
44		To cash Paid John Paines for a womans saddle	2 12 8
45		To cash Paid James Williams for 2 Hhd 1/2 panning but	9
1786		To Lack of Salt	18
Feb 12		To 1 1/2 Lons 2 3 1/2	13 8
Apr 1		To cash paid the fishermen for 1 1/2 fish 2 30 1/4	13 2

1787 Feb 1	Am't bro. forward			
50	Paid for the picking 14 lbs Tob. & turning the Cask.	9	-	
	Paid William Chappell for parcel Tob.	11	0	
	To 36 ^{lbs} Tobacco d 22/9	8	2 1/2	
Apr 6	Paid Watsons Charles for 11 fish d 8	5	0	
	Paid Nath ^l Cunningham for sundry goods	11	-	
May 11 2 27	Paid Thomas Dupreant for finding provisions } from Newburg for Tob. Rolers	5	0	
62-17	Paid Livins Brandon for 70 fish d 2 1/2	1	3 1/2	
July 9	To cash Paid Tho ^s Combs for money for it. unexp.	9	-	
83	To do. paid Joseph James for money for it. unexp.	18	-	
84	To Cash paid Carter Brown for following & chair	7	-	
Aug 11	To Cash paid for Molasses	3	-	
Dec 20	To do. for 5 1/2 ^{lbs} brown sugar d 3	5	-	
Oct 29	To do. paid Richard Carter for season of Mare	18	-	
for 350	To do. for 2 1/2 Bushels wheat at 57 1/2 ^{cts} Bu	12	0	
1788	To car. paid Rubenah Scott for a gun stock	3	-	
22	To cash paid Joseph Atkin for Stocking a gun	12	-	
Sept 8	To cash paid Hannah Taylor for 9 Bar Corn	5	8	
Oct 10	To 8 1/2 Barrels corn d 13 1/2 ^{cts} Bu	11	17 0	
89	To cash paid Archibad Campbell for 2 Books	3	-	
Nov 13	To cash paid Henry B. Kirby for Smith work	11	0	
91	To cash paid Obediah Kirby for Smith work	1	11 1/2	
92	To cash paid James Brooks for broods up Good & P ^{ro}	2	-	
93	To Oslow & Barkshire Merchants Account	79	10	
120	To cash paid William Harrelt for Goods	1	2 1/2	
94	Paid James Williams for 2 Hhd Tob	7	-	
	To 1/2 Bu Bushells Rice d 1/4 ^{cts} Bu Bushel	5	-	
15	To 300 eight Penny nails d 1/4 ^{cts} Bu	3	-	
95	Paid John Loring the Tonnage for 3 Hhd Tobacco } & Rolers returning	5	-	
77	Paid David Powell the Tonnage for 3 Hhd Tob	3	-	
Dec 17	To 2 quarts Rum on the Road for Rolers	3	-	
	Paid William Wornack the Tonnage for 3 Hhd Tob	3	9	
	To 15 bundles of Jordan & 1 Bushel corn	14	9	
	Paid William Chappell for 5 Bu Cotton	12	0	
1788 Jan 7	Paid James Coleman for 1/4 Bu Plains d 2/9 1/2	1	2 8	
1789 Jan 7	Paid James Brooks for 1 Cask Salt	1	11	
79	To cash paid Daniel & Farley for teaching school } for the year 1787	2	11 0	
		1280	2 2	

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1788		Am't bro forward		
Aug 25	10	Dr. Cts for County & Parish Taxes	1	10 3
1787		To paid Cts of Halifax for Probate of Testators Wills	3	9
11		To paid for turning 2 Old Tobacco	4	
82		To William Blackdore part his account	5	7 10
		To 9 1/2 th Tobacco my share crop for 1787. 23/	10	9 6
		To for the price of 1 pair steel yards	7	5
		To my crop cut saw broke at the plantation	12	
		To my Expenses &c. as Executor for 1/2 year	6	5
		To cash paid Living Brandon for 22 Yards & 1/2	7	4
		To short in addition of the account	1	4
1789	15	To Balance as per Credit	53	17 2
			305	17 2

Credit to Stephen Townes Esq. by Caleb Townes Executor

1788		By Cash Rec ^d of W. Dixon	2	17
Nov		By 1/2 Barrels Corn & 1/2 of 1/2 Bar	3	8
Dec 8		By 1132 th Tobacco at 20/100	15	0
1789	17	By 2 1/2 th Tobacco at 3 1/2/100	42	3
		By 1220 th Tobacco at 3 1/2/100	24	19 2
May 1		By 270 th Tobacco at home	2	0 0
June		By 1109 th Tobacco at 3 1/2/100	20	12
		By cash Rec ^d of Thomas Watkiss for Cyder	5	3
		By cash Rec ^d of Henry Black for Cyder	3	2 6
		By Cash Rec ^d of Thomas Watkiss again for Cyder	6	1
1785		By the Gallons Rum	6	
		By cash of Cereal	3	4
		By cash of Wyly	12	
		By cash of Rogers	3	
		By cash for Brandy	10	9
		By cash of Williams	3	4
May 2		By cash of William Carter	4	
			2	0 0

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1785		Am't bro forward		
Apr		By Drury Simms	1	-
1780		By cash William Carter	5	17 8
1787		By Cash of John Vaughan	9	12 0
1781		By 179 th Tobacco at 22 th	1	19 11
		By 3940 th Tobacco at 25/100	49	5
May		By 1136 th Tobacco at 23/100 in part of an Execution obtained against Callaway & others	13	2 2
		By 1/2 of 1/2 half year	9	7
		By Peter & Blackdore 1/2 year	11	5 11
Nov		By judgment obtained against Edward Boyant	9	
1785		By Cash	7	11
1787		By error	9	
1787		By the sale of one horse omitted	346	1 11
		By 1/2 the 1/2 over charges in 1785	1	10
		By 600 th Tobacco part my charge in 1787	6	18
		By my part of Expenses of Tobacco &c. at 23/100	2	11 5
		By further Interest on £ 7 1/2 3- as per Black & Blackdore	1	9 0
		By over charge as an overer in 1788	2	10
		By error in paid P. Bonner	5	-
		By error in 1788	1	7
		By error in addition of 1/2	11	
		By balance due the Estate as of the account	365	17 2
		By a supposed error in a charge of 1/2 in 2	53	17 5
		Black & Blackdore acct. 1783	2	0 0
			55	17 5
In obedience to an order of Court bearing date the Twenty first				
1788. We have settled the within account Current of Caleb				
Townes as Executor of the Estate of Stephen Townes Esq.				
Given under our hands this 15 th Day of April 1789 I paid the				
above balance of £ 55. 17 5 th just due from the Estate				
to the said Estate. Thomas Watkiss. Wm. McCarty &				
James Legrand.				
Witness &c.				

May Court 1789.

At a Court continued and held for Maryland County the 28th day of April 1789

The within written account Current of the Estate of Stephen Townes ^{deceased} was returned into Court by the Person appointed to settle the same and ordered to be recorded

Teste George Carrington (W. M.)
Deputy Recorder Teste Wm Thompsons D. O. R. C.

Wm Davis An Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Davis Wall

deceased taken the 18th day of April 1789. ^{Ex. 1} £72 10 0

Prince	20 0 0	Young Bay mare	18 0 0
Adam	40 0 0	Bay Horse (Shackle)	12 0 0
May	20 0 0	Bay Grey	10 0 0
Leary	20 0 0	Bay mare	8 0 0
Sarah	30 0 0	Black mare	15 0 0
Von	25 0 0	1 Leather Dress Furniture &c.	20 0 0
Prince	20 0 0	27 th Meas. Cattle	7 0 0
Nanny	30 0 0	Small mare	20 0 0
Nann	20 0 0	75 Meas. Shags	12 0 0
Nanner	20 0 0	19 Meas. Shags	5 0 0
Sueh	30 0 0	1 Rifle	1 5 0
Wanner	35 0 0	2 Smooth Gunns	2 7 0
Harry	25 0 0	2 Large Black Walnut Chairs	3 0 0
Eden	25 0 0	2 Black Walnut sideboards	10 0 0
Offe	25 0 0	1 Black Walnut sideboard	10 0 0
Quincy	2 0 0	1 Black Walnut sideboard	10 0 0
Frank	8 0 0	1 Black Walnut sideboard	10 0 0
Sylvia	20 0 0	3 Broken Wheels	1 2 0
Station Cook	20 0 0	1 Fine axe	0 5 0
Black Horse	30 0 0	2 Iron Poles	1 10 0
Bay Horse (Boss)	15 0 0	1 Dutch Saw	1 0 0
Bay H? (Barbados)	15 0 0	2 Painted Dishes	1 0 0
Gray Horse	10 0 0	3 ad. Plates	1 0 0
Gray mare	20 0 0	2 ad. Plates	1 0 0
		2 ad. Plates	1 0 0

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Br. & Acc.	£928 12 9	Ant. Br. & up	£928 12 9
1000 waggons & Gears	9 0 0	2 Half Shares & Antares &c.	1 8 0
1 Copper still warm &c.	8 0 0	Base share & Antares	3
1 mass. saddle & bridle	1 0 0	5 Frowd. Mass. H. principally	1 2 0
1 Woman's cat	1 10 0	11 Iron Skips & 5 Wagon Ropes	1 10 0
1 Old Iron &c.	0 0 0	1 for hand chain & Stairs 27	1 9 0
1 Iron chains	1 12 0	1 Drying Pan & 1 Foot aug & Chisel	3 0 0
1 Iron Bay Horse (Chund)	1 0 0	1 Pair Lead Saws	1 0 0
1 Small smooth Gun	0 10 0	a water Pitcher	1 0 0
1 Iron skiver	0 3 0	1 Bager Stone	1 3 0
1 Sugar Dish & 2 Eggs & 2 B. &c.	2 0 0		
1 Tin Pail	1 0 0		
1 Blackening shoe & 2 shoes	1 2 0		
2 Grey Hens & 2 Pigeons	9 0 0		
1 Pair Axes & Hatchet	1 5 0		

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Wm Davis
Deputy Recorder
John Comeney

At a Court held for Maryland County the 25th day of May 1789

This Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of Davis Wall deceased was returned into Court by his Executors and was ordered to be recorded

Teste George Carrington (W. M.)
Deputy Recorder Teste Wm Thompsons D. O. R. C.

In the name of God Amen I John White of Maryland County being
well in my full and sound and disposing mind and memory and
knowing that it is against the will of all men now to die 3. I hereby make
and execute this my last will and Testament in manner and form following
that is to say Primarily and first of all I give and Recommend my
soul into the hands of God that gave it, and my body to the earth to be
buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my
Executors and as touching such worldly goods as it hath pleased almighty
God to give me with I give devise and Dispose of as follows.

I give and devise to my Daughter Sarah Green £100 to be paid to her