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The name of God amen. The seventh day of March in the
year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine I Samuel
Blens of the borough of Norfolk and state of Virginia being sick
and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God
therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and
Testament; that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul
into the hands of God that gave it and as for my body I recommend to the
earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the Discretion
of my Executor and Executrix hereafter named nothing doubting but at the
General resurrection I shall receive the same againe by the mighty Power
of God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased
God to bless me ~~within this~~ life I Give Devise and Dispose of the same in
the following manner and form I Give to my Loving wife
Mary During her life on provisers she lives single as my widow all
And singular my house Land house and Kitchen furniture in general and
Stock of all kinds to be enjoyed by her without any Denial or Motivation of

Many During her life on provisers she lives single as my widow all
And singular my houses Land house and Kitchen furniture in general and
Stock of all kinds to be enjoyed by her without any Denial or Molestation of
any person or persons whatsoever, and likewise all my book Debts, bills,
bonds notes and writings of all kinds, and if in case my said wife should
marry then my will and devise is that the said houses and land should be
rented out and that my wife mary should have one third part of the rent
during her life and my son Samue^t the other two thirds and if in case my
said wife ^{marry} as aforesaid then for my son Samue^t to have two thirds
of all my moveable and household furniture when he arrives to full age
And at my wife Marys death my houses and Lands goods and Chattles to
decend to my son Samue^t to him his heirs and assigns for ever, but if my
son Samue^t should die before he arrives to age as aforesaid having no Issue
and my wife mary should die then my will and Desire is that my
Houses land and all in general my household furniture should be sold
and the money arising from such sale to be Equally divided between

to my brother Lewis children, Henry, James, Lewis and Elizabeth
in the Town of Dudley in Worcestershire in England. also my wife
my working Tools should be sold to satisfy my Just Debts, and Funeral
Expenses. And I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Loving
Wife and Trusty friend William Goodchild my whole and Sole
Executor and Executrix of this my Last will and Testament.
And I do hereby utterly revoke disallow and disannul and Dis-
-annul all former Testaments Wills and Legacies by me heretofore
in any wise left or made declaring ratifying and Confirm-
-ing this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In
Witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and Seal this Day
and Date first above mentioned
Signed Sealed published and Declared
by the within named Testator Samuel
Blews to be his last Will and Testament in
presence of us who subscribed our names
in presence of the said Testator

Samuel Blews Seal

James Bowshell