

...last Will & Testament in

George Gordon
James Murphree
Joseph Hardine

October court 1771 proved &c as by order Book
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In the Name of god Amen I William Dale of Norfolk County Son
the Parish of Portsmouth do make and assign this to my Last will and
Testament Shewing Disanuling all other will or wills by me made and
this to my Last will in manner as followeth— Item I Give Twenty
Acres of Land more or less on the South Side of the Creek beginning
from the Creek at a cedar Post Near the pump and Running westerly to
another cedar Post with my Brandy Still Land and wheals and
all unto to be sold to pay off my Lawfull Debts

I give and Bequeave all the Remainder of my Land, Houses to my Loving wife Dinah Dale During Her Natural Life not Debering my Brother Daniel Dale of making use of some part of the Land and Houses and after her Death I give and Bequeave the said Land and Houses unto my Brother Daniel Dale to him and his heirs for ever —

Item I give and Bequeave unto my loving wife Dinah Dale one Negro ~~man~~ named Simon to her During Her Natural Life and after her Death then I give the said Negro Simon to Daniel Dale to him and his heirs for ever and if he Dies with out Issue then I give the said Negro Simon to Thomas Edwards Junr. to him and his heirs for ever —

Item I give and Bequeave unto my loving wife Dinah Dale four Negroes James Charity George & Lida with all my live Stock and all my House hold goods such as one block Beds Cheare Tables and sundry other house hold furniture too to go as to mention to her During her Natural Life and after her Death then I give and Bequeave unto my Brother Daniel Dale the said four Negroes James Charity George & Lida and all the live Stock and all the House hold goods and furniture to him and his heirs for ever —

Item I give and Bequeave unto all my sisters Children Ten shillings apiece to them & th^r heirs for ever

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to them and their Heirs for ever —

I do appoint my Loving friends Capt Thomas Dale and M^r Thomas
Howards sent to be my Executors of this my last will and Testament In
confirmation whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this fourth
Day of August one thousand seven hundred and Seventy one —

Signed & sealed in
the presence of

William Dale & Seal.

Rich^d Butts
Jm^o Pollock
Craford Vale

November Court 1771. preserved &c as by Order Book

/ James

Josh Sam^l Butts &

In the Name of God Amen. I John Mercer Jun^r of Norfolk County
and Parishes of saint Brides, being Sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and
memory do make and Ordain this to be my last will and Testament in
Manner and form following VIZ. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Thomas Mercer the Land and Plantation whereon
I now do live It being the Land that is given to me by my Father by a deed of